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# POTENTIAL DIRECTOR INFORMATION PACKAGE

#### Thank you for your interest in the Luseland Credit Union Board of Directors!

This document provides some basic information on the role of a Director.

#### **BOARD ROLE**

There are 9 Director positions.

Terms are 3 years, with 3 positions renewing each year.

The Board does not deal with day to day operations, but rather provides strategic direction to Executive Management.

Key responsibility areas include:

- Strategic thinking and planning review and approve LCU's strategic, financial, and capital plans.
- GM performance review evaluate the effectiveness of the GM.
- Monitor financial trends review LCU's financial reports as well as reports provided by our regulator.
- Compliance and regulatory oversight review principles and guidelines, ensure compliance with federal and provincial legislation.
- Community donations over \$1,500.

# 7 Cooperative Principles

- Voluntary and open membership
- Democratic member control
- Members' economic participation
- Autonomy and independence
- Education, training and information
- Cooperation among cooperatives
- Concern for community

#### MEETINGS

We typically meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month (12 board meetings annually) at 7:30 pm. Meetings typically last 2 hours. Directors, the GM and the secretary are in attendance.

Directors receive their reporting package a minimum of one week before the monthly meeting. It is essential that this package is reviewed prior to each meeting. This package contains financial statements, trend information, loan statistics, etc.

Directors are required to attend a minimum of 9 regular meetings per year. You must notify the Board President or Senior Management in advance if you will be unable to attend a meeting. Minutes are available on a website that stores agendas, minutes, reports, etc. There are provisions for excused absences as approved by the Board (i.e. seeding and harvest).

You are required to attend the AGM, usually held in March.

Remuneration for all regular, committee, and special meetings is paid out at the end of the year.

#### **COMMITTEE STRUCTURE**

COMMITTEE NAME	MEETING FREQUENCY	DUTIES/PURPOSE
Executive Committee	As needed.	To act on behalf of the board on all matters which need to be dealt with between board
		meetings.
Governance	Meets quarterly and	To oversee the GM Evaluation process, director
Committee	as needed.	training and evaluation, the nomination and
		election process for LCU directors, director
		compensation, and director insurance review.
Audit Committee	Meets quarterly and	To ensure an independent review of the credit
and	as needed.	union's operation on areas deemed necessary
Risk Committee		to maintain the integrity of financial data,
		adequacy of internal controls and adherence to
		requirements. Review the financial package in
		detail. Review internal and external audits.
<b>Conduct Review</b>	Meets quarterly and	To ensure that all proposed related party
Committee	as needed.	transactions (i.e. senior management or director
		loans) with the credit union are consistent with
		the terms offered to the general membership.

Each board member serves on a minimum of 2 committees. There are 9 main committees:

Policy Committee	Meets as needed.	To review and suggest changes to credit union policies on a scheduled basis.
Scholarship	Meets once a year in	To review scholarship applications and choose
Committee	the spring.	the successful applicants.
Workplace	Meets as needed.	To investigate any violent incidents, complaints
Violence and		of harassment, or instances of unethical
Harassment		behavior within LCU and make
Committee		recommendations to the board.
Crisis	Meets as needed.	To be responsible to make decisions for
Management		workplace health and safety during a crisis. To
Committee		ensure business continuity and effective
		communication.

Additional temporary committees may be formed as needed: i.e. Building Committee, Board Succession and GM Evaluation Committee.

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

We encourage community involvement and volunteering at LCU events: annual BBQ (June), Credit Union Day (Oct), etc. Social events: Board/Staff Christmas Party (Jan), etc.

#### **DIRECTOR TRAINING**

All new Directors will have some training to complete within their first year and first term (3 years). All new Directors will meet with management in advance of their first board meeting to review the monthly reporting package.

Directors are encouraged to continue training throughout their terms. Remuneration is provided per course. All training materials and courses are made available by the Credit Union.

\*\*\*Please approach any board members or senior staff for further information or assistance. Do not be afraid to ask questions!

#### **OUR VISION** Financing your goals. Building our community. Inspiring your dreams. VALUE STATEMENT $\triangleright$ Community: Involved in every aspect $\triangleright$ Service: Quality beyond expectation $\geq$ Knowledgeable: We have the answer $\geq$ Responsibility: Accountable to our members $\geq$ Respect: Everyone is equal

Team: Successful together

We look forward to working with you in making our Credit Union and community thrive!



# NOMINATING BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

# **ELIGIBILITY:**

- A nominee must have been a member in good standing of the Luseland Credit Union Ltd. for at least 1 year.
- A nominee must be willing to let his/her name stand as a candidate for the election of a Director.
- A nominee must be bondable and agree to treat all business of the Luseland Credit Union Ltd. In the strictest confidence.

## **RESPONSIBILITY:**

- Must carry out the general direction of the affairs of the Credit Union as presented in the Credit Union Act.

## **NOMINATION:**

# - SIGNATURE OF THE NOMINEE: \_\_\_\_

The nomination papers must be endorsed by the signatures of at least two members of the Luseland Credit Union Ltd.

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#### LUSELAND CREDIT UNION LTD.

Nominating Committee

N.B. Nominations must be delivered to Luseland Credit Union Limited by 3:30 on March 3, 2025