

**FYI ONLY – ALL NEWLY ELECTED BOARD
OF TRUSTEES MUST SIGN THIS CODE OF
ETHICS UPON TAKING OFFICE.**



Spiritual Life Center Board of Trustees Code of Ethics

As a member of the Board of Trustees, I will:

1. Understand and be aligned with the basic teachings of Unity.
2. Make my own spiritual development and relationship with God a priority in my life.
3. Respect the opinion of and support the majority decisions of the Board, recognizing that all authority is vested in the full Board when it meets in legal session.
4. Bring to the attention of the Board any issues that might have an adverse effect on the Ministry.
5. Listen carefully to fellow Board members and allow them to speak for themselves at all times.
6. Consider myself a "trustee" of the ministry and do my best to ensure that it is well-maintained, financially secure, growing and always operating in the best interests of those we serve.
7. Recognize that my role is to ensure that the ministry is well managed, not to manage the ministry.
8. Include the church in my financial planning. My financial contributions to the church will reflect its importance in my life.
9. Fulfill my Board roles and responsibilities by regular attendance at Board meetings and training sessions.
10. Extend myself to newcomers at church and to those I do not know.
11. Refer complaints to the proper level on the chain of command.
12. Declare conflicts of interest between my personal life and my position on the Board, and abstain from voting when appropriate.

As a member of the Board of Trustees, I will not:

1. Criticize or speak for the Minister, fellow Board members or their opinions, in or out of the Board room.
2. Discuss the confidential proceedings of the Board outside the Board room.
3. Promise how I will vote on any issue before the meetings.
4. Use the ministry for personal advantage or that of my friends or relatives; or use my position to impose my will on others.
5. Interfere with the duties of the Minister or undermine the Minister's authority with staff members, committee members or community members.

Together with my fellow Board members, I am co-creating this spiritual community called Spiritual Life Center. As a result of my joining this Board, I can expect to receive an abundance of love, empowerment, spiritual development, education, and support in knowing my oneness with God, and true friendship.

Printed Name and Signature of New Board Trustee

Date