

Unity of Harrisburg's Board Member's Conduct

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Upon acceptance of a position on the Board of Trustees, every Board member relinquishes certain rights and privileges and accepts certain responsibilities. **The Board member relinquishes the right to function as an individual member outside the Board. Acceptance of Board responsibility requires presentation of the Board opinion at all times even if the opinion should differ from that of the individual.** This responsibility includes the transmission to the membership the opinions and convictions of the whole Board.

In rare instances where a Board member finds irreconcilable differences between personal convictions and Board responsibilities, it is probably better to resign from the Board to preserve the integrity of the Board. The function of the Board is to represent the membership while holding the long-term vision of the ministry. In this context, different viewpoints are encouraged until a consensus is reached and a Board decision is made. Wisdom evolves from the resolution of differing viewpoints. Therefore, it is usually possible to resolve differences for the best interest of all concerned without violating personal convictions.