



Position Title: Board Member – Horse Committee Chair

Position Description

Milestones is seeking a board member to fill the following role:

Board Member/Chair of Horse Committee

A Board Member is a voting participant on the Board of Directors. Individuals who sit on the Board of Directors are responsible for overseeing Milestones' activities. Board Members meet monthly via Google meets to discuss and vote on the business matters. Current board terms are two years, and a Board Member may serve two terms. Board Members are asked to participate in Milestones special events (currently three each year, however, we anticipate expanding special events in 2023). The average amount of time involved in being a Board Member/Chair of Horse Committee is 5 hours per month.

This Board Member will serve as Chair of the Horse Committee. This individual will need to have direct experience with horses (ownership or previous ownership of horses is required) in order to be able to assist in guiding Milestones in issues related to horse care, prioritizing program needs regarding our equine staff, will be the back up to call the vet if the Equine Manager is out of town, ensure sure the conditioning team is meeting regularly to train our horses, and is ideally is a skilled rider in order to participate on the conditioning team. The Horse Committee Chair also assists in choosing additional program horses when needed. The Chair of the Horse Committee holds monthly meetings with the Horse Committee, which is comprised of community volunteers and Milestones staff.

Current programming at Milestones includes:

- Therapeutic Horseback Riding - Our signature program, the Therapeutic Horseback Riding is for riders with differing needs ages 3 and up.
- Silver Saddles - This Therapeutic Riding Program is geared to rider ages 50 and over.
- Horse Tales - In partnership with the Kenton County Public Library children in grades 1-8 who are able to read at any level are invited to read to therapy horses at Milestones during the summer months.
- The Summer Adventures/Fall Fun of Ranger and Silver - Our two miniature horses visit local school summer programs, nonprofit camps, the Kenton County Public Library, and daycares to bring equine education and outreach to several children throughout the year.
- Miles of Smiles - Ranger and Silver are also visiting senior care facilities to bring a smile to the face of seniors who have been unable to receive visitors during the pandemic.
- A Day of Healing - In collaboration with St. Elizabeth Healthcare Milestones developed a program for front line healthcare workers to address issues of stress and trauma related to the pandemic. We are in the process of expanding this program to serve teachers, other nonprofit organizations, and other essential workers.

If you have questions or are interested in submitting your name for consideration in joining the board at Milestones, please contact Susan Kinsella, Executive Director, at skinsella@milestonesinc.org.

Mission Statement: We strive to assist each rider to become an innovative and productive member of the community by building independence, self-confidence, and social skills in a fun, loving environment.