

CAIR Board FAQ

What is the role of the Board?

The purpose of the Board is to advance the CAIR [mission](#) and protect the long-term health of the association.

How is the Board structured?

The CAIR Board consists of 11 members representing 2 and 4-year colleges and universities in California, plus one ex officio member that holds the role of treasurer. Four members serve on the CAIR Executive Committee (President, Vice President, Immediate Past President, and Secretary).

What opportunities are there on the Board?

Board activities in a given year are structured around committees. Board members may lead up about two committees of CAIR members and volunteers designed to achieve outcomes and goals related to the CAIR annual conference and/or other CAIR activities. A list of 2017 committees can be accessed [here](#).

Who can serve on the Board?

Board members must be employed at a California 2- or 4-year college or university from any sector of higher education (public, private, for-profit).

What is the time commitment to serve on the Board?

Board terms are three years. Members must be able to commit the time necessary to fulfill their obligations to the Board. This includes attending two one-day meetings a year, the annual CAIR conference, and other conference calls as needed. In addition, Board members will typically lead about two committees and on serve a few more throughout the year. Time required varies by role, committee responsibilities, and time of year.

How are Board activities funded? Is the position paid?

The position is not paid. All expenses to attend the annual conference should be paid by the member's home institution. All other expenses incurred while performing official duties in line with our policy are reimbursed by the Board.

Why should I join the Board?

Participating on the Board can be extremely rewarding. Members serve by helping to shape the CAIR annual conference and other initiatives intended to advance the field of institutional research. Members also have opportunities to interact and learn from colleagues from various types of institutions and participate in a broad range of experiences that that will help enrich their professional toolbox and profile (e.g., leadership development, project management, executing contracts, etc.).

How do I join?

Those interested in joining the Board must submit a [complete application](#).