**Responsibilities of the Leadership Board:**

The Leadership Board will be responsible for functions required by (2012) The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church par. 244 (SPRC, Trustees, Finance, Lay Leadership, Church Council). And pars. 252.5, 258.1c, 258.4, and 2525 including:

* Review and approve the annual budget
* Annually review the Lead Pastor in conjunction with the District Superintendent
* Approve all land acquisitions, facility construction and significant legal obligations
* When a special need exists, the Board can create a team (task force) consisting of board and/or

other church members.

* Actively pursue learning opportunities as they relate to large church structure and development.
* Set policy that gives guidelines within which all other ministry teams work (such as: fund raising, entering into contracts, leadership succession plan, staff policy handbook).
* Maintain articles of incorporation.
* Call Church Conferences as required by The Discipline.
* Shall provide for an annual review of the “State of the Church” conducted as the Annual Church Conference.
* The members of the Leadership Board will elect the following Officers:

Chairperson

Secretary

And these functionary roles:

Board member for legal matters

Board member to interface with the District Superintendent

**Criteria for Membership:**

* Must be a member of Mason UMC at least 1 year
* Must be at least 21 years of age.
* Must actively fulfill expectations for all members of MUMC:

1. To attend worship unless ill or out of town.

2. To grow in your faith outside of worship in prayer and Bible study or small group

3. To give proportionate to your income with a tithe being the goal.

4. To serve in ministry, according to your gifts.

* Alignment with the purpose of Mason UMC.
* Ability to balance and/or diversify the Board
* Ability to participate in meetings and fulfill requirements of the Board.
* Must be forward thinking and able to vision toward the future.
* Fully abide by the Leadership Covenant.

Paid staff, volunteer leaders and directors of ministry areas are not eligible.