

MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES FOR BCCDS DIRECTORS and CHAPTER DELEGATES

Mission, Vision, and Values

In carrying out its work, the Board is guided by BC Carriage Driving Society's Mission, Vision, and Values.

Mission

The BC Carriage Driving Society (BCCDS) is a non-profit organization that represents the driving community in British Columbia.

Vision

Our society supports and welcomes all types of driving from recreational driving, showing in pleasure driving shows to combined driving events and equines of all sizes.

Chapters throughout BC sponsors and organizes educational driving clinics, recreational drives, informal and formal competitions throughout the province.

Values

We are a fun, supportive and enthusiastic group! Our members span all ages, driving equines of all sizes and breeds - everyone and every equine is welcome!

- **Fairness: We are committed to the value of fairness in all our undertakings.** We promote *playing by the rules*, open-mindedness, listening to others and treating people with respect. We believe fun and enjoyment in a safe environment should be at the heart of our sport.

- **Science-based Education:** We believe in science-based education as the means to improve practices related to safety, equine welfare, and fair play in competitions.

- **Respect:** We expect from ourselves and others that all board members, members, the larger driving community and volunteers will be treated with respect.

- **Responsibility and Accountability:** We value the rights of equines and equestrians and the responsibilities that come with those rights. **We provide responsible, respectful, accountable service and are committed to being a knowledgeable voice for our community.**

- **Inclusivity and Diversity:** We welcome everybody and value a member base that reflects the diverse regions in BC. We recognize the need to be proactive in achieving inclusivity and diversity.

- **Engage and Strengthen BCCDS Membership.** Through communication and engagement with our members and the larger community we demonstrate the value of BCCDS and retain and attract members.

Meetings shall be designated as in-person or virtual (attended via video and/or audio). Directors are expected to attend meetings or seek approval from the Chair for being absent due to extenuating circumstances. For virtual meetings, Directors are expected to use reliable video or audio technology that allows them to attend the full meeting, ensures they can be heard, and are able to fully communicate. Board Directors who attend virtually are deemed to be present at the meeting and counted in quorum, provided they are in contact for the majority of the meeting. When attending a meeting virtually, Directors must take care to be in a private area that enables them to maintain the confidentiality of Board information and avoid distractions.