



## **Emerging Leaders *OnBoard!* Project**

### **Opportunity Profile Sitting Tree School and Nature Programs.**

We are looking for energetic, enthusiastic, committed individuals who wish to join our Board of Directors.

This organization is in its infancy, we began just one year ago. Therefore, we are looking for strong leadership to help build some of the foundational components of the organization.

#### **What we do**

Our Mission is to offer experiential programs in nature to discover and cultivate connections to self, family and community.

We operate at private day school for children from JK to Gr. 8 in an integrated class environment. All programs are developed with a connection to nature and based on a model of experiential learning. The children learn subjects such as Reading, Language Arts, Math, Science, Environmental Studies, etc. through drama, art, daily hikes and creative classroom activities.

In addition, we have Nature Programs including a weekly program for homeschooled children and March Break and Summer Camp.

We are located in a cottage building behind Parkwood Hospital, which is surrounded by the Westminster Ponds - ESA, Environmentally Sensitive Area.

We have recently been selected for a Trillium Grant to help get the foundational pieces in place for the organization. This will be a 2 year grant.

#### **Volunteer representation**

We are relatively small right now but plan to grow and have much interest in our programs. Currently, we have volunteers who are primarily parents of the children at the school.

#### **Time Commitment**

We hold monthly meetings and are looking for Board Members who can commit time beyond these meetings to assist with some policy development, business plan development and fundraising and sponsorship initiatives.

**Core Competencies/Requisite Experience**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Finance                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sales  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sector expertise (please specify, i.e. medical, manufacturing) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Management                                 | Legal   |

**Other information or requests:**

It is very important to us that individuals have an interest in Nature and see the value in an alternative education model. We are creating something very unique and that comes with excitement for the possibilities and challenges as we ‘break new ground’!

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