

Board Membership

The membership of the board is made up of a cross section of professionals and lay citizens of Kootenai County. All members of the board are volunteers and serve without compensation. Members are appointed for a two-year term by the Kootenai County Commissioners.

David Levine, Chair
Beth Garside, Vice-Chair
Peggy Fairfield, Secretary
Jenifer Christensen
David Atkins
Nancy Edwards, Treasurer
Gwen Schell
Terri Radford
Trudy Elliott
Chris Wolfe
Brian Loepky
Emily Jakubek, Case Manager

Kootenai County Board of Community Guardians



General Information

The Kootenai County Board of Community Guardians is an extension of county government. This board was created to deal with complicated issues of guardianship for those residents of Kootenai County who have no relative or significant other interested in becoming their guardian when they have legally been deemed incompetent. This board functions as the guardian of last resort.



Funding

The Kootenai County Commissioners authorize and partially fund activities of the board. Other funds are obtained by billing wards for case management services. No cases are refused based upon lack of income or assets.

Intake and Referral

Referrals to the Kootenai County Board of Community Guardians should not be made until all other avenues of guardianship have been explored thoroughly.

Referrals are reviewed at board meetings and decisions are made collectively by the board. No action is taken until a board decision has been made.

When the board has made the decision to act as guardian for a ward, a case manager is assigned.



Board Activities

The board meets monthly to discuss new referrals and ongoing cases. All meetings are kept extremely confidential with only authorized board members and ex-officio members present.

Additional resource persons may be invited to present a case for consideration.

The Kootenai County Board of Community Guardians is unique in the use of paid case management services.

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