



Business Associate Relations Policy

Presentations by Business Associates

From time to time, business associates may offer to make presentations at NYSASBO events. If such presentations are designed with the express purpose of highlighting a product or service provided by the presenter, they shall not be permitted during the meeting/workshop. The Board of Directors may consider such presentations during pre or post conference times when such presentations would not be in conflict with professional activities. The business associate shall be charged a fee for the privilege of making such a presentation to defray any expenses incurred by the association, such as room rentals, etc.

Presentations which have the primary purpose of enhancing the knowledge and/or expertise of the members and that do not promote a business associate's own interests should be welcomed, with consideration given to those business associates who have a history of support for NYSASBO.

Endorsement Prohibition

NYSASBO will not, under any circumstances, endorse or otherwise sponsor or support a product or service of a business associate.

Business Associate Donations

As a general matter, the Association may seek support in the form of direct cash contributions, sponsorship of events, and donations of goods and services (such cash contributions, sponsorships, and donations are hereinafter referred to collectively as "Donations") from Business Associates only in connection with, and in furtherance of, official Association activities including, but not limited to, educational programs and social activities at its various seminars, conference, and workshops; its Annual Meeting; and at certain of the Association's activities in conjunction with the annual ASBO International Conference and other State or national organizations to which NYSASBO is a member, exhibitor, or participant.

Donations shall be solicited only at the direction of the Board by the Executive Director or such other person, or persons, as the Board shall direct, which may include members of the Board and members of the Association. Solicitations shall be made to such Business Associates as the Board shall direct. However, unless good and valid reason exists, no Business Associate shall be omitted from any general solicitation. Solicitations may be made in writing or in person (and by telephone).

Records of all Business Associates who are solicited, and all Donations received, shall be maintained by the Association and shall be available for public inspection at appropriate times. The President of the Board or, should he/she designate, the Executive Director, shall promptly acknowledge each Donation in writing. In addition, acknowledgment shall also be published in the NYSASBO Reporter and shall appear on signs at applicable Association events. Prior to each Annual Meeting, the Executive Director shall recommend to the Board a procedure for distinguishing levels of Business Associate Donations in customary published acknowledgments and signage.

Donations should not be sought in connection with any private activity of any member of the Board or of the Association. For purposes of this section, "private activity" refers, but is not limited, to a non-board sanctioned event or undertaking the primary purposes of which is to advance or promote personal interests of one or more individuals, including assistance in securing an elected or appointed office with the Association or any affiliated organization, including ASBO International. The Board shall determine whether or not a particular event or undertaking for which Donations are contemplated to be sought is a private activity as herein described.

The Board shall have the authority to accept unsolicited Donations if, in the Board's discretion, such unsolicited Donations are otherwise consistent with the objectives of this policy.