Wikimedia Foundation
Board of Trustees

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There is an amazing community of people around the world that makes great projects like Wikipedia, Wikidata, Wikisource etc.

The Wikimedia Foundation helps them do that work. They take care of the technical infrastructure, the legal challenges, and the growing pains.

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The **Wikimedia Foundation has a Board of Trustees** to oversee the Wikimedia Foundation's operations. The trustees are selected in part through community processes and in part by the Board directly.

There are 16 seats on the Board:
8 Community-and-affiliate seats,
7 Board-selected seats, and
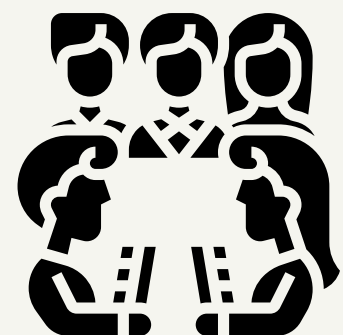1 founder seat.

Each trustee serves a three year term.

Board-selected trustees are selected through a global search process. They join the Board once the Board of Trustees and the candidates are satisfied there is a mutual fit.

The Wikimedia community has the opportunity to vote for community trustees. This is an opportunity to improve the representation, diversity, and expertise of the Board as a team.

The trustees commit about 150 hours per year to their work. They serve on at least one of the Board's committees. These committees include Board Governance, Audit, Human Resources, Product, Special Projects, and Community Affairs.

Meeting minutes that are available publicly will be posted on the Meetings page of Foundation Wiki or on the committees' pages.

i Find out more about the Board of Trustees and even how you can join the Board at https://w.wiki/yY9.