The Board of Trustees of the Ocean Shores Public Library subscribe to the Code of Ethics adopted by the American Library and Trustee Association and the Public Library Association:

- Trustees must promote a high level of library service while observing high ethical standards.
- Trustees must avoid situations in which personal interests might be served or financial benefits gained at the expense of library users, colleagues or the institution.
- It is incumbent upon any trustee to disqualify himself or herself immediately whenever the appearance of a conflict of interest exits.
- Trustees must distinguish clearly in their actions and statements between their personal philosophies and attitudes and those of the institution, acknowledging the formal position of the board even if they personally disagree.
- A trustee must respect the confidential nature of library business while being aware of and in compliance with applicable laws governing freedom of information.
- Trustees must be prepared to support to the fullest the efforts of librarians in resisting censorship of library material by groups or individuals.
- Trustees who accept appointment to the Library Board are expected to perform all the functions of library trustees.

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