Core Role of a Board is to ADD VALUE

A  Advance the mission and vision of the organization.
D  Do your duty: duty of care and duty of loyalty.
D  Determine and support your executive leader.

V  Value each other’s time and the executive’s time.
A  Assure adequate resources for the organization (no dollars, no mission)
L  Link program and financial decisions together.
U  Understand group dynamics and create a culture where dissent is valued: fostering candor, curiosity, and dissent (dissent ≠ disagreement)
E  Ensure effective planning, including succession planning for next board members.

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