The GIFT board of directors consists of those who are interested in being actively involved with managing the funds, selecting the award recipients and acting as potential mentors to the award recipients during their academic years and afterwards. The role of the members of the board include (voluntarily):

- Fund management – this consists primarily of deciding the award amount per recipient on a yearly basis.

- Recipient selection – this consists of reading the applicant documents, conducting interviews and making recommendations.

- Mentoring – this consists of being a resource when recipients have questions about college courses, life style choices, etc. The GIFT donors, as well as others who may serve on the board, come from an extensive background of science, music, education, business, counseling, etc. and will provide an invaluable source of information and guidance to recipients.

The board of directors is not limited in either number or length of term.