

## Ohio Revised Code Section 5813.04 Standard of care.

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- (A) In administering the powers to request amounts from a trustee of an institutional trust fund in accordance with divisions (A) and (B) of section 5813.02 of the Revised Code, members of a governing board of an institution shall exercise ordinary business care and prudence under the facts and circumstances prevailing at the time of the action or decision and shall make requests for amounts under divisions (A) and (B) of section 5813.02 of the Revised Code only as is prudent under this standard. In so doing, the governing board shall consider the long- and short-term needs of the institution in carrying out its educational, religious, charitable, or other eleemosynary purposes; the institution's present and anticipated financial requirements; the expected total return on the investments held by the institution and held by the trustee under the applicable trust instrument; price level trends; and general economic conditions.
- (B) In determining the expected total return on the investments held by a trustee of an institutional trust fund under the applicable trust instrument, the members of the governing board of an institution may follow, and are not required to examine independently, the determination of the trustee regarding the expected total return on the investments held by the trustee.
- (C) A trustee of an institutional trust fund has no duty to inquire or ascertain whether the governing board of an institution has satisfied the standards set forth in divisions (A) and (B) of this section, and the trustee does not have any liability for the failure of the governing board to satisfy those standards.