Mark Foutch

Former Olympia Mayor Mark Foutch is the current Board President for the Capital Area Regional Public Facilities District. He has served one three-year term on the Board.

During his term he has emphasized public awareness of the PFD and the Board's meetings, and the need for timely and practical Board member orientation. In December he drafted, coordinated and presented testimony on the CAR-PFD's functions and accomplishments to a joint committee of the Legislature.

He is also Chairman of the Board and Immediate Past President of the nationwide Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association (Lifetime Founder Member); President of the Olympia Historical Society; and a Board member of All Aboard Washington, the statewide intercity passenger rail advocacy organization.

Mark maintains memberships in the Capitol Land Trust, Friends of the Olympia Library (Life Member), Olympia downtown association, and Thurston County Democrats, among others. He is a past president of the Eastside Neighborhood Association and of the Olympia Area Chapter, Military Officers Association of America (Life Member).

During his 16 years on the Olympia City Council, Mark served 10 years as Mayor Pro Tem and one four-year term as Mayor. He chaired the Council's Land Use and Environment, General Government, and Finance Committees. He is a past chair of the Thurston Regional Planning Council and the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency. He served variously on the boards of Intercity Transit, LOTT, Visitor and Convention Bureau, Economic Development Council,

He also served on a policy committee of the National League of Cities, and was co-chair for Washington State of the Cascadia Project, a Seattle-based group promoting improved transportation, trade and tourism and sustainable communities in Washington, Oregon and British Columbia. He is the only Olympia elected official to have served as President of the Association of Washington Cities. He was appointed to three statewide committees, two by governors and one by the Director, WSDOT.

Mark is a retired Air Force officer and a member of the American Legion and the Air Force Association (Life Member).