Governance by BIG Ideas

Tom Little's Leading-Edge Training for Non-Profit Boards

Board training just got a lot better.

Governance by BIG Ideas gives you all you need to develop an exceptional Board.

Governance by BIG Ideas is constructed on Tom's 13 BIGGEST of the BIG Ideas, and augmented by his 23 BIG Ideas. If you act on them, your Board will stand out and your organization will flourish. These ideas are the product of a career devoted to the non-profit sector, a career described by his colleague Nancy Collins as spanning "many, many" years, and covering all parts of Ontario.

The 13 BIGGEST of the BIG ideas for creating an exceptional Board include:

- Know where to find information on how Boards should operate, starting with corporations legislation that sets out its legal duties
- Adopt a Board model
- Be clear on the Board-Executive Director relationship
- Develop a yearly Board work plan
- Focus on recruitment and making the organization "Board friendly"
- Keep committees to a minimum
- Optimize the effectiveness of your meetings
- Make quality decisions and track their implementation
- Avoid major problems

The 23 BIG Ideas cover a range of additional topics, such as:

- Make it a policy to have policies,
- Customize your Board structure
- Provide financial training for new Board members
- Use Canada's great non-profit websites for ongoing Board development
- Don't turn being a Board member into a life sentence

Governance by BIG Ideas is based on the book, *Tom Little's BIG Ideas for Non-Profit Boards*. In a few hours it provides you with all you need to know about Boards and how they work.

Contact Tom by email or phone to discuss how this important training can be provided to your Board.

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