

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 my 13 BIGGEST of the BIG Ideas, and augmented by my 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 at least one colleague as spanning “many, many” years, and covering all parts of Ontario.

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

- Read the corporations legislation that sets out directors' legal duties
- Adopt a Board model
- Develop a yearly Board work plan
- Focus on recruitment
- Keep committees to a minimum
- Optimize the effectiveness of your meetings
- Make quality decisions and then 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

Discussion is based on my book, *Tom Little's BIG Ideas for Non-Profit Boards*. Participants receive a copy as part of the training package. You can then use it as an ongoing resource for the work of the Board.

In addition to the 36 ideas, the book includes resources directors can use right away: Sample plans, forms for evaluating the work of the Board and the Executive Director, and Internet addresses for great Canadian websites with free information about non-profits, to name a few.

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

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