

BOARD ENGAGEMENT INVENTORY 2

On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being best), how effective are your **board meetings** in truly advancing the mission and strategy of the organization? _____

What few things would most likely raise that number?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

How much time in your board meetings is focused on the strategic plan for the organization? Is it more than 50% of the meeting? _____

Think about the frequency of your board meetings. Why are they set at that frequency? For example, if you could engage your board meaningfully around your strategic plan on a regular basis, would you meet more frequently? Would your board be more inclined to meet more frequently if they knew they were producing significant value toward the progress of your organizational goals?

How much governance work can be done more quickly, offline, or in committees rather than in a perfunctory manner at board meetings? (HINT: This is not a suggestion to dilute the importance of governance functions) How might you achieve that, freeing more time for generative, strategic work during the meeting? _____

Review the following two sample board agendas:

1. Typical agenda based on topic, routine, function, reports, etc. (past focused)
2. Enhanced agenda based on objectives and action (forward-focused)

Which of these is more like YOUR agendas? How might you get creative with your board agendas and meetings? _____

Here's a challenge: How could you DOUBLE the power and effectiveness of your board meetings?

BOARD MEETING AGENDA #1—ABC CHILDREN'S NPO

Board Meeting Agenda for ABC Children's NPO

Wednesday, January 16, 2019
Noon-1:15 pm
Community Center Board Room



AGENDA

LUNCH

Call to Order	John Johnson, Board Chair
Approval of Minutes	
Finance Report	Tammy Thomas, Treasurer
Approval of Finance Report	
Fund-raising Report	James Jameson, Development Director
Building Fund Update	Bill Williamson, Capital Campaign Chair
Executive Director Report	Hillary Hillerson
Old/New Business	
Adjourn	

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, March 13
Noon– 1:15 pm
Community Center Board Room

BOARD MEETING AGENDA #2—ABC CHILDREN'S NPO

ABC CHILDREN'S NPO
STRATEGIC BOARD SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019
NOON-1:15
COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD ROOM



Join us at the **Community Center's brand new board room** for this month's strategic board session!

We'll gather for lunch, generously provided by **Elle's Eatery on Main**.

Our **ABC Agenda** for this session follows:

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS - We have 3 outstanding new Board Members! Welcome to Andy Anderson, Phil Phillips, and Carla Carlson!

APPROVAL OF PRE-SENT CONSENT AGENDA, including November minutes, December financials, and today's agenda.

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OPERATIONAL UPDATES AND ACTION

Our Capital Campaign Chair Bill Williamson has exciting news on the building fund, with 3 funding possibilities to decide on for the home stretch.

ANNUAL MEETING VENUE DECISION - Our CEO, Hillary Hillerson will review our options for date/time, and venue for our Annual Meeting, for board input and decision.

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STRATEGIC PLAN ADVANCEMENT

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS/SUCCESS - Our branding initiative has launched! We'll view the premiere of our new video.

WHAT'S NEXT? - Identify board representatives for our next 3 community focus groups

AIR COVER AND COURSE CORRECTIONS - Discussion on two key state government funding streams tied to our strategic child care center initiative

Thanks to board member extraordinaire Jill Jetson for volunteering her grant-writing skills—We are pleased to announce a \$50,000 grant from the Springfield Foundation for Children!

YES! ASTHETICS MATTER ON BOARD AGENDAS TOO!

