

2010 Board Assessment for Incoming Board Members

Key Board Responsibilities

Determine Mission/Vision

Organizational planning and maintain accountability

Strengthen programs and align with mission

Ensure adequate resources

Provide financial oversight

Ensure legal and ethical integrity

Orient new Board members

Enhance SOA public standing

Perform Board and SOA assessment

Key Enablers of Board Performance

Board has appropriate committees with clear charges

Board has effective processes for identifying and cultivating new Board Members

Board does a good job of orienting and integrating new Board Members

The right leaders are in place

Board/committee meeting management supports the Board as needed

Board meetings are well run

Board strikes the right balance of work and fun activities

Board focuses most of its attention on significant strategic issues rather than short-term administrative matters

Board prioritizes efforts effectively

Board/Staff collaboration is effective

I. On-boarding Process

1. What aspects of the on-boarding process have you found to be most helpful?

2. What ideas do you have for improving the process for future years?

II. Getting up to speed

3. Do you feel uncertain about any of the Key Board Responsibilities?

4. Do any of the 2009-10 accomplishments concerns you? If yes, is there any any information you would like to receive on this topic?

5. What do you see as your greatest challenge as a new Board Member?

6. What do you see as your greatest opportunity as a new Board Member?

III. Looking ahead to the coming year

7. Which of the identified enablers, if any, stand out as particularly important to you?

8. What ideas do you have to help you optimize your board participation right from the very beginning?

Name (optional)
