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The Best of the Board Café ACTA Publications
 The current fashion for rolling back the state has seen the nonprofit or third sector playing an increasing role in what were previously the heartlands of the public sphere. The growing significance of the sector and its increasing reliance on public funds mean it has also attracted increased scrutiny. From outside the sector concerns have been raised about the accountability and performance of nonprofit organizations. From within the sector there has been considerable debate about whether the increased reliance on government contracts is in danger of undermining the sector's independence. As a result the spotlight has fallen on governance arrangements and whether they are adequate to ensure that nonprofit organizations are effective and accountable for their actions, and able to retain their independence. This collection offers a comprehensive assessment of research on the governance of nonprofit organizations. Nonprofit governance research has been dominated by the study of boards of unitary organizations and

has paid insufficient attention to the multi-level nature of governance, governance relationships and dynamics, and the contribution of actors other than board members, to governance processes. Drawing on the research of leading scholars in the US, UK, Canada and Australia, this book presents new perspectives on non-profit governance, which help to overcome these weaknesses. Written in an accessible manner the book will be of value to scholars, researchers, students, reflective practitioners and governance consultants and advisers.

Nonprofit Governance Business Expert Press

"The first governance book of its kind to: reexamine governance at its essence; challenge dogma about the board versus chief executive roles; let you decide if you agree with the old thinking on governance; take aim at myths about governance that hold organizations back; provide practical, in-the-trenches advice and tips you can use now"--Cover.

Nonprofit Board Service for the Genius UPNE

Step Up! is part inspiration, part education and part how-to. It's fresh approach to equipping nonprofit board members who want practical guidance presented in an engaging and digestible format. Step Up! imparts the insights that new and tenured board members wish they knew from the get-go. The Second Edition

features new and expanded content for a number of key areas including board roles and boundaries, fundraising and strategic planning.

Nonprofit Sustainability John Wiley & Sons

Every organization deserves a good board and effective board members. And every board member deserves a chance to be an effective board member. But too often, things aren't working. Board members aren't effective - and staff aren't helping them to be effective. Or, staff are doing all that is possible - but the board member is causing too many problems. This book tells you how to fix the situation. This book explains why board members are (or aren't) effective. And, this book gives you specific strategies and tools to fire the lousy board members and help the others succeed. Topics include: Distinction between board and board member. Finding the right board members. Role of the governance committee. Monitoring board members Tools include: Board job description. Performance expectations of the board member. Evaluation tools. Skills inventory. As you read *Firing Lousy Board Members*, you'll realize that this book is mostly about how to NOT fire people. Instead, the book focuses on finding the right board members and enabling them to be successful. Firing is only a last resort. But it's an important strategy to launch in some situations. Unfortunately, some organizations and their leadership are too afraid to do this important work. What a shame. The process is not as hard as you might think. More importantly, bad board members produce bad governance. And bad governance is a huge risk for the nonprofit sector. Bad governance can put your organization - and its board members - on the media's front page. It's just not acceptable to keep poor performers around. It's not fair to other board members. It's not fair to staff. And it isn't fair to the organization's mission. Serving on a board is serious business. Sadly, too many boards and board members (and staff, too) don't realize how serious this business is. Read *Firing Lousy Board Members* before you continue down the wrong paths. Read *Firing Lousy Board Members* - and talk about the serious business of good governance and effective and ineffective board members. This book is a quick and easy read. User friendly, fast, and sometimes pretty funny. The author, Simone Joyaux, has direct experience doing every thing described in this book. Joyaux has been an executive director, chief development officer, board chair, and chair of governance and fundraising committees. Here is some reader applause about *Firing Lousy Board Members*: At last! The long-overdue guide to making dreams of nonprofit organizations come true by exorcising the nightmare of lousy board members. Simone Joyaux's lifetime of thoughtful, proven experience in building strong organizations is distilled in this highly readable, how-to road map to success. Read it, then get started today on building great boards and culling bad board members. --Roger M. Craver, Editor, *The Agitator* Ask yourself which is the priority, the mission or the problem board member? Mission must be the answer! Simone Joyaux's concise, direct, clear guide gives you the road map to build a power board and confront problem members who jeopardize your mission. --Robbe Healey, MBA, ACFRE, Vice President for Philanthropy, Simpson Senior Services *Firing a nonprofit board member? Awkward!* But it may be a little easier after you read this book by the plain-talking but insightful Simone Joyaux who says that poor-performing trustees present a problem of board contamination. --Ruth McCambridge, Editor in Chief, *Nonprofit Quarterly*

[Joan Garry's Guide to Nonprofit Leadership](#) Silver Creek Press

MANAGING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS This essential resource offers an overall understanding of nonprofits based on both the academic literature and practitioner experience. It shows how to lead, manage, govern, and structure effective and ethical

nonprofit organizations. *Managing Nonprofit Organizations* reveals what it takes to be entrepreneurial and collaborative, formulate successful strategies, assess performance, manage change, acquire resources, be a responsible financial steward, and design and implement solid marketing and communication plans. "Managing Nonprofit Organizations is the only introductory text on this subject that manages to do three critical things equally well: It's comprehensive, covering all the key topics leaders of NPOs need to know about; it's practical, providing lots of examples, case incidents, and experiential exercises that connect the content to the real world; and, best of all (and most unique compared to others), it's research-based, drawing on the latest and best empirical studies that look into what works and doesn't work in the world of nonprofit management." —Vic Murray, professor, School of Public Administration, University of Victoria "This book is a rarity—a text that can be used both as the focus for academic study and as a source of stimulating ideas for those practitioners who want to explore theories about management and how they can be applied so they can do a better job. Tschirhart and Bielefeld have explained all aspects of nonprofit management and leadership in a way that will stimulate as well as inform." —Richard Brewster, executive director, National Center on Nonprofit Enterprise, Virginia Tech University "Managing Nonprofit Organizations presents a comprehensive treatment of this important topic. The book satisfies the competencies and curriculum guidelines developed by NASPAA and by NACC and would be ideal for instruction. The book maintains its commitment to informing management and leadership throughout the nonprofit sector." —Jeffrey L. Brudney, Albert A. Levin Chair of Urban Studies and Public Service, Cleveland State University "This is an important book, written by two of the leading scholars in the nonprofit studies field. Nonprofit managers, board members, funders, educators, and others will find *Managing Nonprofit Organizations* extremely valuable." —Michael O' Neill, professor of nonprofit management, University of San Francisco "Here's the book that my students have been asking for—just the right mix of theory presentation, research findings, and practical suggestions to serve the thoughtful nonprofit management practitioner. It will inform, instruct, and ultimately, inspire." —Rikki Abzug, professor of management, Anisfield School of Business, Ramapo College

The Nonprofit Marketing Guide American Bar Association

A new framework for helping nonprofit organizations maximize the effectiveness of their boards. Written by noted consultants and researchers attuned to the needs of practitioners, *Governance as Leadership* redefines nonprofit governance. It provides a powerful framework for a new covenant between trustees and executives: more macrogovernance in exchange for less micromanagement. Informed by theories that have transformed the practice of organizational leadership, this book sheds new light on the traditional fiduciary and strategic work of the board and introduces a critical third dimension of effective trusteeship: generative governance. It serves boards as both a resource of fresh approaches to familiar territory and a lucid guide to important new territory, and provides a road map that leads nonprofit trustees and executives to governance as leadership. *Governance as Leadership* was developed in collaboration with BoardSource, the premier resource for practical information, tools and best practices, training, and leadership development for board members of nonprofit organizations. Through its highly acclaimed programs and services, BoardSource enables organizations to fulfill their missions by helping build effective nonprofit boards and offering credible support in solving tough problems. For the latest in nonprofit governance, visit www.boardsource.org, or call us at

1-800-883-6262.

Managing Nonprofit Organizations John Wiley & Sons
THE HANDBOOK OF NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE From BoardSource comes *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance*. This comprehensive resource explores the overarching question of governance within nonprofit organizations and addresses the roles, structures, and practices of an effective nonprofit. *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance* covers the topics that are of most importance to those charged with creating and sustaining effective leadership, including building a board; succession planning; policies; financial oversight; fundraising; planning; strategic planning processes; risk management; and evaluation of the board, CEO, and organization. Praise for *The Handbook of Nonprofit Governance* "This is the first book I've found that covers the topic of governance from A to Z. I know what I'll be assigning the students in my governance class as a textbook next semester!" —TERRIE TEMKIN, founding principal, CoreStrategies for Nonprofits, Inc. "BoardSource has prepared an exceptional resource for nonprofit boards and leaders. This comprehensive volume offers timely and relevant information about board work and governance, including practical tools and resources that will be valuable to all types of nonprofits." —DAVID O. RENZ, chair, department of public affairs; Beth K. Smith/Missouri Chair in Nonprofit Leadership; and director, Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership; University of Missouri, Kansas City "If you are involved in nonprofit organizations, and if you ever have doubts about how they are best run, this is the book for you—and BoardSource is the place to turn." —FISHER HOWE, consultant, Lavender/Howe & Associates, and author, *The Nonprofit Leadership Team* BoardSource (formerly the National Center for Nonprofit Boards) is the premier resource for practical information, tools and best practices, training, and leadership development for board members of nonprofit organizations worldwide.

Guidelines for Improving the Effectiveness of Boards of Directors of Nonprofit Organizations NOLO

Practical business and management advice to get a nonprofit up and running and - most importantly - keep it going.

Board-Seeker BoardSource, Inc.

We are entering a new era—an era of impact. The largest intergenerational transfer of wealth in history will soon be under way, bringing with it the potential for huge increases in philanthropic funding. Engine of Impact shows how nonprofits can apply the principles of strategic leadership to attract greater financial support and leverage that funding to maximum effect. As *Good to Great* author Jim Collins writes in his foreword, this book offers "a detailed roadmap of disciplined thought and action for turning a good nonprofit into one that can achieve great impact at scale." William F. Meehan III and Kim Starkey Jonker identify seven essential components of strategic leadership that set high-achieving organizations apart from the rest of the nonprofit sector. Together, these components form an "engine of impact"—a system that organizations must build, tune, and fuel if they hope to make a real difference in the world. Drawing on decades of teaching, advising, grantmaking, and research, Meehan and Jonker provide an actionable guide that executives, staff, board members, and donors can use to jumpstart their own performance and to achieve extraordinary results for their organization. Along with setting forth best practices using real-world examples, the authors outline common management challenges faced by nonprofits, showing how these challenges differ from those faced by for-profit businesses in important and often-overlooked ways. By offering crucial insights on the fundamentals of nonprofit management, this book will help leaders equip their organizations to fire on all cylinders and

unleash the full potential of the nonprofit sector. Visit www.engineofimpact.org for additional information.

Uncharitable Lulu.com

In our experience, Boards rarely struggle because they don't understand advanced concepts. Rather, Boards struggle because they haven't established all of the most critical, foundational processes to develop and operate a Board. This guide will help your Board establish those processes, whether you are just getting started or evolving to the next level of effectiveness. Comprehensive guidelines and materials are written in an easy-to-implement style, resulting in a highly practical resource that can be referenced at any time during the life of a Board and organization.

The Ambassador's Journey Fieldstone Alliance

The only current authorized edition of the classic work on parliamentary procedure—now in a new updated edition *Robert's Rules of Order* is the recognized guide to smooth, orderly, and fairly conducted meetings. This 12th edition is the only current manual to have been maintained and updated since 1876 under the continuing program established by General Henry M. Robert himself. As indispensable now as the original edition was more than a century ago, *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* is the acknowledged "gold standard" for meeting rules. New and enhanced features of this edition include: Section-based paragraph numbering to facilitate cross-references and e-book compatibility Expanded appendix of charts, tables, and lists Helpful summary explanations about postponing a motion, reconsidering a vote, making and enforcing points of order and appeals, and newly expanded procedures for filling blanks New provisions regarding debate on nominations, reopening nominations, and completing an election after its scheduled time Dozens more clarifications, additions, and refinements to improve the presentation of existing rules, incorporate new interpretations, and address common inquiries Coinciding with publication of the 12th edition, the authors of this manual have once again published an updated (3rd) edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised In Brief*, a simple and concise introductory guide cross-referenced to it.

Successful Boards, Sustainable Organizations Ballantine Books

Praise for *NONPROFIT SUSTAINABILITY* "This is much more than a financial how-to book. It's a nonprofit's guide to empowerment. It demystifies mission impact and financial viability using The Matrix Map to provide strategic options for any organization. A must-read for every nonprofit CEO, CFO, and board member." —Julia A. McClendon, chief executive officer, YWCA Elgin, Illinois "This book should stay within easy reaching distance and end up completely dog-eared because it walks the reader through a practical but sometimes revelatory process of choosing the right mix of programs for mission impact and financial sustainability. Its use is a practice in which every nonprofit should engage its board once a year." —Ruth McCambridge, editor in chief, *The Nonprofit Quarterly* "Up until a few years ago, funding and managing a nonprofit was a bit like undertaking an ocean voyage. Now, it's akin to windsurfing—you must be nimble, prepared to maximize even the slightest breeze, and open to modifying your course at a moment's notice. Innovative executive directors or bold board members who want their organization to be able to ride the big waves of the new American economy must read this book." —Robert L. E. Egger, president, DC Central Kitchen/Campus Kitchens Project/V3 Campaign "Most nonprofits struggle to find a long-term sustainable business model that will enable them to deliver impact on their mission. Thanks to Jeanne Bell, Jan Masaoka, and Steve Zimmerman help is now in sight. This book offers practical, concrete steps you can

take to develop your own unique path to sustainability without compromising your mission." —Heather McLeod Grant, consultant, Monitor Institute, and author, *Forces for Good: The Six Practices of High-Impact Nonprofits* "At last! An urgently needed framework to prepare leaders to meet head-on the persistent twin challenges of impact and sustainability. This is a practical tool based on good business principles that can bring boards and staff members together to lead their organizations to sustainable futures." —Nora Silver, adjunct professor and director, Center for Nonprofit and Public Leadership, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley "Together, Jeanne Bell, Jan Masaoka, and Steve Zimmerman equal wisdom, experience, and know-how on sustainability and lots of other things. Buy, read, and learn from this terrific book!" —Clara Miller, president and CEO, Nonprofit Finance Fund "Wisdom, experience, and know-how. Buy, read, and learn from this terrific book!" —Clara Miller, president and CEO, Nonprofit Finance Fund

Starting & Building a Nonprofit BoardSource, Inc.
Nonprofit Board Service for the GENIUS is a first-of-its kind reference for the millions of people who are seeking to serve on a nonprofit board or already serve on one. It is a fun, informative read that candidly highlights a board member's ups and downs. Perfect for the novice, the veteran who needs a refresher, or the executive director looking to take the group to a higher level; it has been acclaimed by experts as the resource that the sector been waiting for. The book takes the reader through the process of searching for a board, the first year of membership, into the leadership realm, and beyond. It is ideal for these purposes:
Decision-making tool for finding the right board Board orientation
takeaway Board meeting reference Board development resource
Executive director training Nonprofit training text The book and its appendices contain a number of templates and sample documents that will help any nonprofit strengthen its value.
Nonprofit Board Service for the GENIUS moves sequentially through the stages of nomination, early candidacy, and more advanced topics: Part 1: Board Service with Your Eyes Wide Open
Chapter 1: Why Would Anyone Want to Serve on a Nonprofit Board? Chapter 2: Board Basics Chapter 3: Just the Facts Chapter 4: Finding the Right Match Chapter 5: Getting From Here to There: From Candidate to Board Member Part 2: Hit the Ground Running Chapter 6: Ready, Set, Action Wait, Who Does What? Chapter 7: Board Anatomy 101 Chapter 8: Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, 990s...Oh My Chapter 9: Creating a Roadmap: Strategic Thinking and Planning Part 3: Digging In Chapter 10: Budgets: A Financial Blueprint Chapter 11: Other Fun Financials Chapter 12: From Ambassador to Advocate Chapter 13: The "F" Word: Fundraising Chapter 14: Risk Management: Covering Your Assets Chapter 15: Measuring Organizational Success: The Board's Role Part 4: Behind the Curtain Chapter 16: Board Recruitment: The Dating Game Chapter 17: Orientation: An Essential Beginning Chapter 18: Make Meetings Magical Part 5: The Care and Feeding of Your Leaders Chapter 19: ED-Chair Partnership: The Dynamic Duo Chapter 20: Supporting and Evaluating the ED Chapter 21: Hiring and Firing the ED Chapter 22: What If Your Leaders Flee to Cancun? Chapter 23: Founders and Long-Time Leaders Part 6: Taking the Reins Chapter 24: Assessing the Board's Performance Chapter 25: Keeping Board Members Engaged and Connected Chapter 26: When Things Go Awry Chapter 27: Board Culture: Boards Are People Too
Appendices include a sample board commitment form, individual board member fundraising plan, conflict of interest policy, whistleblower policy, document retention and destruction policy, and executive director evaluation. Nonprofit Board Service for the GENIUS is a must-have guide for these groups: Executive directors looking to propel the board to the next level Community

members interested in exploring board service Novice board members driven to learn more Veteran board members who would like to brush up on basics or take on a leadership post With real examples of inspiration and what to avoid, the book's vignettes show that board work takes time and commitment, but enables creativity and provides immense personal and professional benefits and opportunities. Its spirited tone will follow readers to the boardroom and into communities around the country.

The Nonprofit Board Answer Book AMACOM/American Management Association

Nonprofit leadership is messy Nonprofits leaders are optimistic by nature. They believe with time, energy, smarts, strategy and sheer will, they can change the world. But as staff or board leader, you know nonprofits present unique challenges. Too many cooks, not enough money, an abundance of passion. It's enough to make you feel overwhelmed and alone. The people you help need you to be successful. But there are so many obstacles: a micromanaging board that doesn't understand its true role; insufficient fundraising and donors who make unreasonable demands; unclear and inconsistent messaging and marketing; a leader who's a star in her sector but a difficult boss... And yet, many nonprofits do thrive. Joan Garry's *Guide to Nonprofit Leadership* will show you how to do just that. Funny, honest, intensely actionable, and based on her decades of experience, this is the book Joan Garry wishes she had when she led GLAAD out of a financial crisis in 1997. Joan will teach you how to: Build a powerhouse board Create an impressive and sustainable fundraising program Become seen as a 'workplace of choice' Be a compelling public face of your nonprofit This book will renew your passion for your mission and organization, and help you make a bigger difference in the world.

Engine of Impact Fieldstone Alliance

Now even with limited resources, nonprofit leaders will learn how to: eliminate redundant or outdated policies; add new policies more effectively; clearly guide the CEO and evaluate his or her performance; ensure compliance with relevant legislation and regulations; understand why certain policies should be included; and adapt the authors' templates to their specific needs.

Makeshift Chicago Stages Penguin

A courageous call to free charity from its ideological and economic constraints

Nonprofit Financial Oversight BoardSource, Inc.

This book covers the formation, tax, governance, and documentation issues [of nonprofit organizations] ... and addresses some other areas, including mergers and sale of assets of nonprofits as well as dissolution of nonprofits. -- From the author's preface.

Field Guide to Developing and Operating Your Nonprofit Board of Directors Jones & Bartlett Learning

The Nonprofit Board Answer Book John Wiley & Sons

Managing Risk in Nonprofit Organizations John Wiley & Sons

An essential guide to good governance for board leaders at all levels of experience and expertise This third edition of the bestselling book for nonprofit board members and professionals offers a thoroughly revised and updated resource that answers the most-commonly asked question on board governance. The book covers such topics as board structure and process, board member recruitment and orientation, board-staff relations, and financial management. This new edition includes updated information on topics that have recently increased in importance including new Form 990; dealing with the financial crisis, risk management, and mergers. Shows executives and board members how to be more effective, meet difficult situations head-on, and deal with commonplace challenges with confidence

Topics include information on the viability of for-profit ventures, board retreats, board diversity, fundraising, financial oversight, strategic thinking, and the use of technology. From BoardSource, the premier resource for practical information, tools, best practices, training, and leadership development for board members of nonprofit organizations worldwide. Offers insight gained from the BoardSource Governance Index Survey, hundreds of board self-assessments, and questions and challenges heard by BoardSource from thousands of nonprofit

leaders.

Field Guide to Nonprofit Program Design, Marketing and Evaluation BoardSource, Inc.

The Ambassador's Journey helps nonprofits accomplish their mission by inspiring board members to be more engaged and reap more enjoyment from investing their time. Written as a fictional story by seasoned leaders in the nonprofit world, this book gives a fresh take on how to guide board members to be enthusiastic Ambassadors for their organization.

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