

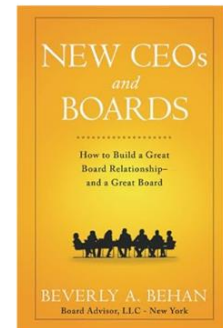
BOARD GOVERNANCE BOOKS

ENGLISH BOOKS

New CEOs and Boards: How to Build a Great Board Relationship--and a Great Board

Author: Beverly Behan

Published: 2022



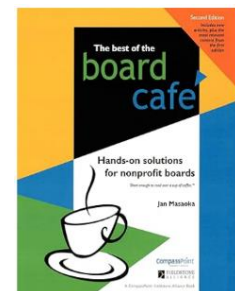
New CEOs and Boards is an indispensable resource for any new CEO to start their board relationship off on the right foot – and make the most of it, throughout their career. It offers practical advice based on the author’s work with nearly 200 Boards of Directors (mostly public companies) over the past 25 years, from analyzing the board you’ve inherited to putting your own stamp on the way your executive team works the board – all the while avoiding common pitfalls that plague many new CEOs early in their board relationship. Later chapters outline tools and initiatives designed to enhance the board’s overall effectiveness – without a lot of drama. It’s filled with innovative ideas and sound advice from the author of the governance classic, *Great Companies Deserve Great Boards*.

Description Reference: <https://www.amazon.ca/New-CEOs-Boards-Build-Relationship-ebook/dp/B0B3G3BT89>

The Best of the Board Café: Hands-On Solutions for Nonprofit Boards (2nd edition)

Author: Jan Masaoka

Published: 2009



- Eleven ways to get a new executive director off to a good start
- A board member’s guide to nonprofit insurance, how to take a public stand
- working boards versus governing boards
- the right way to resign from the board, the best way to raise money, meaningful board-staff acts of appreciation
- What boards need to know about copyrights

Description Reference: <https://www.amazon.ca/Best-Board-Caf%C3%A9-Hands-Solutions/dp/0940069792>

Board Member Orientation: The Concise and Complete Guide to Nonprofit Board Service

Author: Michael E. Batts

Published: 2011



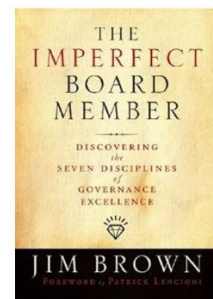
Serving on a nonprofit board can be an incredibly rewarding experience for the properly prepared board member. This book is for the generous and busy people who agree to give of their time and talents by serving on nonprofit boards. Nonprofit boards often fail to do a good job of board member orientation for a variety of reasons. It takes a significant amount of time and effort to plan and conduct quality board member orientation programs, and every time a new board member arrives, it's time to do it again! Because of the challenges associated with providing quality board member orientation, many nonprofit organizations do not do it at all, leaving their board members to wing it. This book provides help and support to the truly great men and women serving on nonprofit boards whose service makes a positive difference in the lives of countless people every day.

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The Imperfect Board Member: Discovering the Seven Disciplines of Governance Excellence

Author: Jim Brown

Published: 2006



The Imperfect Board Member by Jim Brown is a highly perceptive, eminently readable, engagingly human book on how boards and directors can improve their performance. In a breezy conversational style that uses dialogue invitingly and often, the author explores with sensitivity and a light touch not only the standard ingredients but also the more subtle nuances of excellence in both corporate and not-for-profit governance. --William A. Dimma, author, Tougher Boards for Tougher Times ; chairman, Home Capital Group Inc

Description Reference: <https://www.amazon.ca/Imperfect-Board-Member-Discovering-Disciplines/dp/0787986100>

The Little Book of Boards: A Board Member's Handbook for Small (and Very Small) Nonprofits

Author: Erik Hanberg

Published: 2015



Are you new to a board and have no idea what's expected of you? Do you know what a board's six key responsibilities are? Do you know what your relationship with the Executive Director should be? If not, this book is for you.

So many board members—especially of small nonprofits—want to support a nonprofit and readily accept the invitation to join the board. It's only then that they discover they are in over their heads, with no idea of their expectations and responsibilities. The Little Book of Boards is here to throw that drowning board member a rope.

Told with a conversational style, this book will lead you through the basics of being on a board, how meetings work, and what's expected between meetings. In addition, at the back of the book are several in-depth resources for understanding Roberts Rules of Order, bylaws, committee structures, board leadership, and much more. Perfect for any new board member—or for an entire board that is feeling lost—this book and its common sense approach will serve you every year you are on the board.

Description Reference: <https://www.amazon.ca/Little-Book-Boards-Handbook-Nonprofits/dp/1507668813>

Governance Solutions: The Ultimate Guide to Competence and Confidence in the Boardroom

Author: Michael E. Batts David AH Brown & Dr. Debra L Brown

Published: 2019



Access: It includes almost 70 governance concepts and tools that are unique only to this book.

Competence and Confidence: It covers the broad spectrum of governance issues from governance structure and process, through boardroom leadership, culture and behaviour.

Answers! It tells you not only what works, but as importantly what does not work in governance.

This is the ultimate guide for board members and executives regardless of sector-private, public and not-for-profit. Whatever the jurisdiction in the world, this guide remains a highly relevant resource. Designed to build both competence and confidence, its principle-based approach allows any reader interested in governance to benefit from its solutions and tools.

Practical and comprehensive, everything you need to succeed in the boardroom can be found in this one place. There are principles, tools, and clear explanations of the board's role for all five levels of governance: strategy, risk, policy, people, and resources. And it includes profound insights into, and tools for, boardroom culture and behaviour--those less tangible but substantial aspects of effective governance, oversight and leadership.

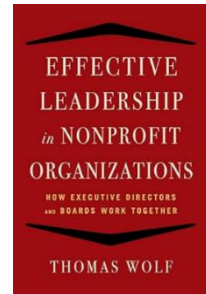
This ultimate guide will deepen the governance understanding of even the most seasoned leader. Readers will understand the depth and breadth of how to add value and provide strategic oversight to any organization. From the role of the board in strategy and risk oversight, effective policy setting and compliance reporting, successfully navigating the board's relationship with the CEO, succession planning, and protecting and stewarding the company's financial and other resources, to governance systems, committee structures and meeting processes, this book has solutions designed to help you succeed and excel.

Description Reference: <https://www.amazon.ca/Governance-Solutions-Competence-Confidence-Boardroom/dp/1647460271>

Effective Leadership for Nonprofit Organizations: How Executive Directors and Boards Work Together Paperback

Author: Thomas Wolf

Published: 2014



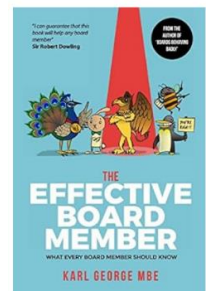
Managing a nonprofit organization has many challenges. One key to success is building a strong relationship between the executive director and the board of trustees. This book is a treasure trove of information for navigating the personal, political, and legal minefields that cause so many nonprofits to fail. Dozens of case studies illuminate the key issues that often impede the progress of nonprofit organizations. Each chapter also contains a set of questions that enable leaders to reflect on the health of their own organization and also evaluate other nonprofits, as well as to create sustainable, effective business practices and productive working relationships. Topics discussed here include: Communication between managerial parties, Sharing powers and responsibilities, Fund-raising, Financial oversight and boundaries, Planning programs, Hiring and firing, Developing partnerships, Assessing business practices, Building productive working relationships, And much more.

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The Effective Board Member: What every board member should know

Author: Karl George MBE

Published: 2017



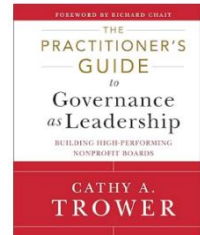
The Effective Board Member – What Every Board Member Should Know is a transformational tale of the journey to boardroom effectiveness. It combines Karl's (The Governor's) knowledge and experience both of governance in an international context and an initial study of human behaviour. Using four of the twelve characters from the governance forum Zoo, The Governor's latest book consolidates his years of teaching on governance, strategy and leadership in an innovative way that is sure to engage experienced and new board members alike. Inside you will find a unique perspective on topics including board appointments, roles and responsibilities, critical issues for boards, blind spots, Board Effectiveness Reviews (BER), traits of highly effective board members and most importantly – boardroom behaviour. This book is sure to equip, empower and educate board members everywhere. It's ingenious and contemporary style, outlined in five practical steps will leave you with a sound understanding not only of the main statutory responsibilities, but a good grasp of all of the practical information you need as an experienced, new or aspiring board member. 'The Effective Board Member' is set to change the world one board member at a time! Based on real experiences and sound business principles, it is an invaluable and accessible source of practical advice.

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The Practitioner's Guide to Governance as Leadership: Building High-Performing Nonprofit Boards

Author: Cathy A. Trower

Published: 2013



The Practitioner's Guide to Governance as Leadership offers a resource that shows how to achieve excellence and peak performance in the boardroom by putting into practice the groundbreaking model that was introduced in the book, *Governance as Leadership*. This proven model of effective governance explores how to attain proficiency in three governance modes or mindsets: fiduciary, strategic, and generative.

Throughout the book, author Cathy Trower offers an understanding of the Governance as Leadership model through a wealth of illustrative examples of high-performing nonprofit boards. She explores the challenges of implementing governance as leadership and suggests ideas for getting started and overcoming barriers to progress. In addition, Trower provides practical guidance for optimizing the practices that will improve organizational performance including: flow (high skill and high purpose), discernment, deliberation, divergent thinking, insight, meaningfulness, consequence to the organization, and integrity. In short, the book is a combination of sophisticated thinking, instructive vignettes, illustrative documents, and practical recommendations.

The book includes concrete strategies that can help improve critical thinking in the boardroom, a board's overall performance as a team, as well as information for creating a strong governance culture and understanding what is required of an effective CEO and a chairperson. To determine a board's fitness and help the members move forward, the book contains three types of assessments: board members evaluate each other; individual board member assessments; and an overall team assessment.

This practitioner's guide is written for nonprofit board members, chief executives, senior staff members, and anyone who wants to reflect on governance, discern how to govern better, and achieve higher performance in the process.

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FRENCH BOOKS

Améliorez la gouvernance de votre OSBL

Author: Jean-Paul Gagné & Daniel Lapointe

Published: 2019



Améliorez la gouvernance de votre OSBL – Un guide pratique s’adresse aux membres de conseils d’administration et aux gestionnaires d’organismes sans but lucratif qui désirent instaurer des pratiques de gouvernance exemplaires au sein des organisations pour lesquelles ils agissent comme administrateurs et gestionnaires. Les OSBL sont plus importants et influents que jamais dans la collectivité québécoise. De nos jours, les leaders d’OSBL, d’organismes caritatifs, d’ordres professionnels, d’associations industrielles et autres cherchent à atteindre des standards élevés de gouvernance afin de répondre aux attentes sans précédent de leurs membres, de leurs bailleurs de fonds, des gouvernements et du public en général. Cette nouvelle édition contient également deux nouveautés : une section consacrée à la gouvernance des ordres professionnels et à la nouvelle loi qui les encadre ainsi qu’une mise à jour du chapitre sur les coopératives qui tient compte de la nouvelle loi sur le Mouvement des caisses Desjardins.

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Ensemble - Guides pratiques D.P.R.M. 1 à 9

Author: Romeo Malenfant

- 1 : Le président ou la présidente du Conseil d'administration
- 2 : Comprendre votre Conseil d’administration en 20 réponses
- 3 : Le directeur général en action et la directrice générale en action
- 4 : Le procès-verbal (et l'ordre du jour)
- 5 : Les administrateurs et les administratrices
- 6 : La responsabilité financière des administrateurs et des administratrices
- 7 : Les Valeurs et Éthique
- 8 : Comités et Réunions
- 9 : Le directeur général et la directrice générale en péril



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La Gouvernance et le Conseil d'administration d'un OSBL (éd. 2018)

Author: Romeo Malenfant, Marco Baron

Published: 2018

Quand vous acceptez un poste d'administrateur, savez-vous à quoi vous vous engagez ? Est-ce que les associations et les organismes sans but lucratif ont des règles de saine gouvernance ? Face au déficit d'aujourd'hui, les associations et autres organismes sans but lucratif, tant privés que publics, ont peu de pratiques de performance leur permettant d'assurer leur crédibilité et d'inspirer confiance afin d'atteindre leur mission respective. Cette nouvelle édition de ce livre s'adresse aux administrateurs et gestionnaires d'organismes qui désirent améliorer leur façon de faire et ont à cœur la pérennité de leur organisation. Le modèle Gouvernance Stratégique® apporte des réponses aux interrogations d'une manière simple et efficace.

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