

THE INSTITUTION AS A SPIRITUAL ENTERPRISE



AN EXCELLENT BOARD ...



EMBRACES

Embraces the value proposition of the institution, its mission & culture



CREATES

Creates and maintains a steward board culture



UNDERSTANDS

Understands and exercises steward board authority



ENSURES

Ensures the sustainability of the institution via strategic thinking and planning



PRACTICES

Practices strategic board development and evaluation

The board's calling is to do God's work, God's way, for God's glory. Creating an awareness of God's presence in board meetings means pausing before critical decisions, seeking wisdom and direction to participate as stewards and not owners of the institution.

Questions for Discussion

1. On a scale of 1 to 10, how well do you think your board incorporates the spiritual dimension of governance during a typical board meeting?
2. What are the major threats to your institution's spiritual fidelity and vitality?
3. What is an example of an "ebenezer" during your time as a trustee that is especially significant to you?
4. How does your board demonstrate that God gets the glory for what He is doing in and through your school?
5. How does your board seek God's will and ways for the items on the agenda?

For additional reading: *The Steward Leader: Transforming People, Organizations and Communities* by R. Scott Rodin.