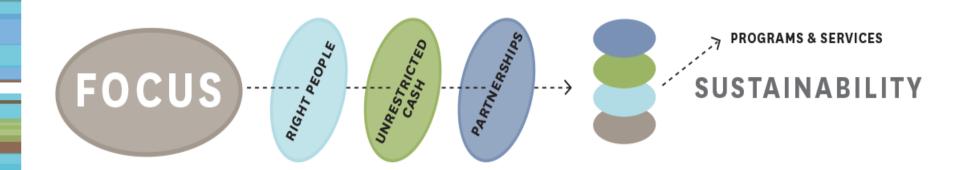
# MANAGEMENT AND BOARD DEVELOPMENT

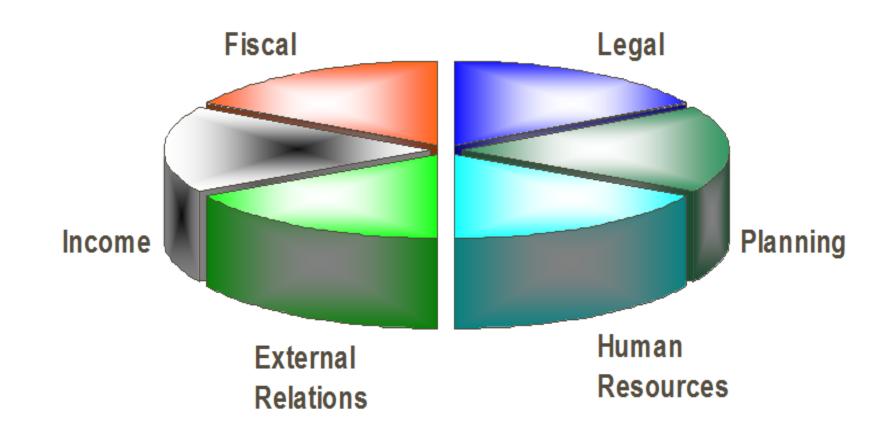


### THE BOARD'S BIG JOB: SUSTAINABILITY



- FOCUS on founding principles, making strategic decisions and looking ahead
- Recruit and retain the RIGHT PEOPLE (the right board and right staff) working together effectively as partners
- Ensure there is sufficient UNRESTRICTED CASH to take advantage of opportunities and handle emergencies
- Seek & nurture strategic PARTNERSHIPS to maximize impact

# BASIC BOARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



#### LEGAL RESPONSIBLITY

 Alaska Law says: "A director shall perform the duties of a director...in good faith, in a manner such director believes to be in the best interests of the corporation and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar circumstances."

Alaska Statutes 10.06.450(b)

#### MEET YOUR LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Monitor budget & mission
- Be informed and ask questions
- Come prepared to meetings
- Act in good faith
  - Avoid conflicts of interest
  - Maintain confidentiality
  - Abide within the law & mission
  - Act as Deliberative Body "Speak with ONE VOICE"
- You have ABSOLUTE access to all records, with notice
- Board members present at meetings are presumed to assent to decisions unless specifically noted in minutes

### **PLANNING RESPONSIBILITY**

 Encourage a culture of planning, develop a vision & set a course for the future

### Strategic Plan

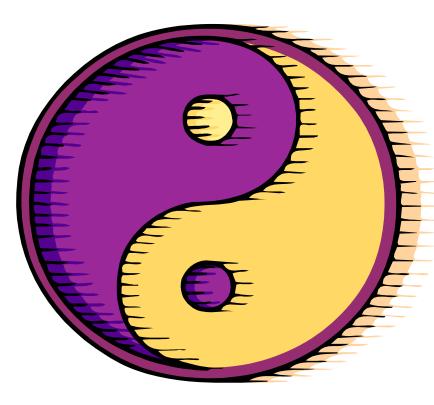
Who are you? Where are you going?

### Operating Plan

 What is important to accomplish this year?

#### - Business Plan

How do we get there?



### AWESOME BOARDS FOCUS THEIR ENERGY ON WHAT MATTERS MOST

- Agree on key strategic issues from next 12-18 months
- 2. Agree on Board's roles to add "most value" for each issue
- 3. Create Annual Operating Plan
- 4. Revise board committees as needed

### HUMAN RESOURCES RESPONSIBILITY

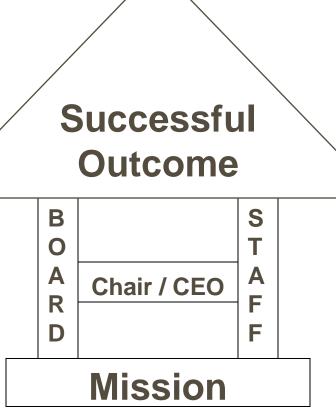
- Board manages the board
  - Through a Board Development or similar committee
- Partner with executive Director
  - Hire, mentor, supervise, evaluate
- Board in relation to other staff?
  - Approve policies, approve new jobs, salary ranges
  - Never manage staff
  - KNOW THE BOUNDARIES



## BOARD & LEADERSHIP STAFF ARE PARTNERS

- Governance
- Policy
- Development
- Finance

 Partner with the ED / CEO to accomplish mission



- Operations
- Management
- Finance
- Programs

 Partner with the Board to meet goals

# EXTERNAL RELATIONS RESPONSIBILITY

- Ambassadors
- Advocates
- Advisors on organization message



 In all things the board must "Speak with One Voice"

## DO YOU EVER TELL PEOPLE ABOUT THE "COOL THINGS YOU DO"?

- You may be an advocate if...
  - Advocacy is natural and expected
  - Advocacy is educating
  - Advocacy is building awareness
  - Advocacy is talking about what you do
  - Advocacy is asking people to share your vision

Advocacy helps meet mission!

### A STORY OF FOUR DUDES...

"There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when actually Nobody asked Anybody."

### THE "60 SECOND SPEECH"

- Be ready for any occasion
  - Safeway, squeezing vegetables
  - Starbucks, having coffee
  - The Tanana Valley Fair
  - School game, class, lunch
  - Your local place of worship
  - Fish camp...
- Never know when you might get to advocate be prepared
  - And stay on message...

### **INCOME RESPONSIBILITY**

#### **Tasks**

- Monitoring revenue and setting goals
  - Tied to program expenses
  - And strategic thinking
  - And Sustainability

#### Types

- Sustainable Revenue
  - Earned Revenue
  - Donated Revenue



## BOARD'S ROLE IN REVENUE CREATION?

- Goal 1: 100% participation in raising money
  - There is a role for everyone in the process
    - Help Identify, cultivate Prospects and Donors
    - Participate in recognition and stewardship
    - Some are askers, others are not...
- Goal 2: 100% annual financial board giving
  - If asking, must be giving
  - Gift should be significant and meaningful to you
  - Confidentiality is key

## FINANCIAL CONTROL RESPONSIBILITY

- Oversee the overall financial health of the organization
  - Approve and monitor budget
  - Set revenue and expense policies
  - Approve investment policies
  - Ensure annual audits or an external qualified "look"



### ROLE OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

- Delegate the number crunching to a committee of folks who love numbers.
- Entrust them to look at everything.
- Committee should report regularly to whole board:
  - One page with pictures and big words that marks 3-4 benchmarks for success and staying on track.

### **SUMMARY: BOARDS & STAFF**

#### **BOARDS**

- Govern
- What
- Ends
- Affects the organization
- Approves budget

### CEO/EXEC. DIRECTOR

- Manage
- How
- Means
- Affects individuals
- Staff makes decisions within line items