



Board of Trustees Governance Self-Assessment Process

We help your Board govern more strategically and understand better its domain of authority and role in a sound system of shared governance, focusing on high level policy and the measurement of key areas of institutional performance. The Board of Trustees Self-Assessment Retreat also helps your board identify areas needing attention and develop its own strategic governance action plan. It has five basic components and typically lasts for one or two days:

1. We provide an Internet-based survey instrument that allows board members to assess their own performance in their governance role.
2. We tabulate the results of that survey and prepare a report of the results, which we use to prepare the goals of the retreat and present during the retreat of the board and senior staff.
3. We provide a series of educational reading materials for board members focusing on areas of need elicited from the survey instrument and in areas that you might ask us to focus based upon your knowledge and experience.
4. We design the agenda for the retreat and share a draft of the agenda with you before making it final.
5. We facilitate the retreat, which will result in the board having a better sense of its role in the strategic governance of the institution and preparing its own strategic governance action plan in consort with the college President.