

**BoardSource Leadership Forum 2017
Better Governance in Three Stories
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ACTION PLANNING WORKSHEET

For each Governance Practice, please take **3 minutes on your own** to answer the two questions. Then take **4 minutes to discuss** responses with your buddy. When bells ring please come back together.

Governance Practice #1: Get the right people on the board, people in the right roles, and the wrong people off the board.

Question 1- On your Board, what is the biggest opportunity or need around this practice?

Question 2- What is one action step you can take to address that opportunity or need?

Governance Practice #2: Pay close attention to the board dynamics, the interpersonal relations between board members and between board and staff.

Question 1- On your Board, what is the biggest opportunity or need around this practice?

Question 2- What is one action step you can take to address that opportunity or need?

Governance Practice #3: Seek alignment of goals and values between everyone in a decision-making or leadership position.

Question 1- On your Board, what is the biggest opportunity or need around this practice?

Question 2- What is one action step you can take to address that opportunity or need?

Notes

BoardSource Tools:

These tools to support Governance Practices are all available on BoardSource.org

- Board Recruitment Matrix
- Where is Race on Your Board’s Recruitment Agenda?
- Who Should Serve on Which Committee?

- Eight Ways to Increase Your Board’s Ability to Work as a Team
- Handling Conflict During Board Meetings

Story sources:

The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, Daniel James Brown, Penguin Books

Endurance: Shackleton’s Incredible Voyage, Alfred Lansing, Carroll & Graf Publishers

Sum It Up: 1098 Victories, a Couple of Irrelevant Losses, and a Life in Perspective, Pat Summitt with Sally Jenkins, Crown Archetype