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The success of an institution or institutionally related foundation is dependent on the strength of its board, and highly effective trustees are a prerequisite for a strong, effective board. While the authority of a board lies in the collective action of its members, each individual trustee contributes to—or limits—the effectiveness of the board as a whole.

AGB recently developed the *Principles of Trusteeship* to help individual trustees become more productive members of the board. Most governance resources focus on the responsibilities of the board, but these nine principles define the attitudes and actions of highly effective board members.

In addition to issuing the full *Principles of Trusteeship* guide, AGB will offer its members ongoing programs and insights to reinforce and better illustrate the nuances of how the principles play out in practice.

I invite you to review a high-level overview of the [Principles of Trusteeship](#), and pre-order a hard copy of the publication.

To join AGB and receive complimentary digital access to the guide for your entire board, as well as to the programs and resources that will help board members learn to adopt and implement these essential principles, simply reply to this email or call 202-776-0817. We would love to welcome your institutionally related foundation to our [membership community](#).

Respectfully,

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