

SSBA Governance Review – Summary of Work to Date and Next Steps

Date: September 25, 2015

Location: Saskatoon

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Timeline

Report
 Examination
 of Executive
 Governance
 Structures

2013

January –
Consultation
Process
Begins

April –
Preliminary
Findings Shared
at Spring
Assembly.
Report released
to boards in
June.

Timeline (cont'd)

• September
Members
Council process to
determine next
steps (mandate
clarification
and structure).

February –
Consultation
plan outlined
at Members
Council.

March – meeting of Board Chairs to determine mandate and begin discussing structure.

Timeline (cont'd)

• April –
Summary of
Board Chairs
discussion
shared at
Spring
Assembly.

May – meeting of Board Chairs to recommend governance structure changes.

July – Summary of Board Chairs discussion shared with all members.

What Was Heard

- Services are Sound Boards wanted services continued although there was an interest in certain services becoming more strategic in their approach.
- Better Strategic Focus is Needed Most boards felt they would be better served by early monitoring and analysis of strategic issues by SSBA. Discussions about strategic strengthening also referred to the resolution process.
- Collective Advocacy is Needed on Common Issues- Most participants agreed that boards would be better served if the SSBA was prepared and positioned to lead on issues that applied across all boards.

Proposed Direction

- Chairs' (or designate) Council be created to advise the SSBA Executive, based on instruction from their own boards.
- Chairs' (or designate) Council to meet four times per year linked to existing SSBA events.
- Bring a resolution to 2015 Fall General Assembly proposing a change from a fall AGM to spring, beginning in 2016. This will be voted on by the membership.

Next Steps

- Chairs' (or designate) Council held in conjunction with 2015 Fall Members Council.
- Fall Members Council receive feedback from boards, determine readiness of membership for vote at 2015 Fall Assembly.
- Executive brings forward two resolutions at 2015 Fall Assembly.
 - 1. Create a Boards Chair (or designate) Council.
 - 2. Move Fall AGM to Spring, beginning in 2016.

Discussion