

Governance Working Group

- "Yay Governance! YAY!" Tim Atkins,
- Newly-Minted Convener of Governance Working Group



Surprise! We have a working group!

- Tim is now convener of Governance Working Group after Andy resigned from the Board. Tim was due to take over in Summer when Andy termed off the Board, but has stepped in early.
- The group of us 5 is pretty convinced the following are members of the Governance Working Group: Tim (Convener), Greg, Patrick, Elandria, and Dick. This is a bit different than the list of assignments which we're talking about later. But we're all pretty sure we're supposed to be on this one.

Needing to pause on Monitoring for a month or two...

- We had many things up for Monitoring (Stephanie, put up the Perpetual Calendar now please!)
- Yah, all that stuff due for this meeting except the Budget one was put on pause because of the resignations of the President and COO.
- In the weeks ahead, Tim is going to work with Sarah on getting the policies we had to pause in monitoring on a schedule for the rest of the year to make up for it.

Hopefully by June we will...

- Goals for June Meeting:
 - Monitoring Reports, including ones we had to pause
 - Have at least one additional option of Compliance/ NonCompliance. Something that clearly shows "Out of compliance but we applaud the progress Staff/Board has made in moving closer into coming into full compliance."
 But catchier.
 - And we might take a stab at some of the Policy Governance Vernacular. Do we have to use the terms 'compliance' or 'not compliance'? Can we use some more faithy language there? We're going to ponder!
 - Approve a new process for what happens when we find the administration out of compliance on a policy.
 - At the very least, an automatic report in 6 months should be triggered that just focuses on changes/improvements made.

Hey, we have 5 people on Governance! We can do BIG THINGS!

- We've got 5 people on Governance. And we're all awesome. And we're all back next year. And that means we can do some big things.
- Right now, we're brainstorming that list of big things we should tackle in the upcoming year, both in terms of policies and in terms of bylaws.
- What are some of the big things YOU think we need to work on?
 - Ends revision process needs to be brainstormed out over upcoming year.
 - Religious educators and delegate status at GA?
 - We need to ponder big, massive changes to bylaws to change how we do governance at GA.