

Core Business Process:

Board Meetings and Reporting

Objective

Establish a standardized process for conducting board meetings and managing related reporting to ensure effective decision-making, accountability, and communication among stakeholders.

1. Preparation for Board Meetings

1.1 Scheduling

- Responsibility: Executive Assistant or Operations Manager.
- **Timeline:** Schedule meetings at least **4 weeks in advance** to ensure maximum participation.
- Steps:
 - 1. Confirm availability of board members.
 - 2. Distribute calendar invites with meeting details (date, time, location, and virtual link if hybrid).

1.2 Agenda Development

- **Responsibility:** CEO or Chairperson.
- Timeline: Finalize agenda at least 2 weeks before the meeting.
- Steps:
 - 1. Solicit agenda items from board members and leadership team.
 - 2. Prioritize key topics such as financial updates, strategic planning, and performance metrics.
 - 3. Distribute agenda to board members **10 days prior** to the meeting.

1.3 Pre-Meeting Material Distribution

- **Responsibility:** Executive Assistant or Operations Manager.
- Timeline: Share materials 7 days prior to the meeting.
- Steps:
 - 1. Compile reports, presentations, and supporting documents (e.g., financial statements, project updates).



- 2. Distribute materials via a secure online portal or email.
- 3. Confirm receipt and address any pre-meeting questions.

2. Conducting the Board Meeting

2.1 Meeting Facilitation

- **Responsibility:** Chairperson or Designated Facilitator.
- Steps:
 - 1. Call the meeting to order and ensure a quorum is present.
 - 2. Follow the approved agenda, maintaining time discipline.
 - 3. Record key points, decisions, and action items in real-time.

2.2 Board Member Participation

- **Responsibility:** All Board Members.
- Steps:
 - 1. Review all pre-meeting materials.
 - 2. Actively participate in discussions and provide insights.
 - 3. Disclose any conflicts of interest before voting on agenda items.

2.3 Decision-Making

- **Responsibility:** Chairperson and Board Members.
- Steps:
 - 1. Ensure clarity on proposed resolutions.
 - 2. Conduct votes and document results.
 - 3. Confirm next steps for approved actions.

3. Post-Meeting Reporting

3.1 Meeting Minutes

- Responsibility: Secretary or Assigned Staff.
- Timeline: Draft minutes within 48 hours of the meeting.
- Steps:
 - 1. Document attendance, agenda items, discussions, decisions, and action items.



- 2. Share draft minutes with the Chairperson for review.
- 3. Distribute final minutes to board members within **7 days** for approval.

3.2 Action Item Follow-Up

- **Responsibility:** Assigned Staff or Leadership Team.
- Timeline: Monitor and report on progress in line with deadlines.
- Steps:
 - 1. Assign owners to each action item.
 - 2. Track progress and update the board at the next meeting.

3.3 Reporting to Stakeholders

- **Responsibility:** CEO or Designated Staff.
- Timeline: Provide summaries to relevant stakeholders within 14 days.
- Steps:
 - 1. Prepare a high-level summary of board decisions and updates.
 - 2. Share with stakeholders via email, newsletters, or secure portals as appropriate.

4. Evaluation and Continuous Improvement

4.1 Board Feedback

- **Responsibility:** Chairperson or Governance Committee.
- Timeline: Collect feedback after each meeting.
- Steps:
 - 1. Distribute a short survey to board members for feedback on the meeting's efficiency and outcomes.
 - 2. Review responses to identify improvement areas.

4.2 Annual Process Review

- **Responsibility:** Governance Committee.
- Timeline: Conduct review at the end of each fiscal year.
- Steps:
 - 1. Assess the effectiveness of board meetings and reporting processes.
 - 2. Update policies and templates as needed to address feedback and evolving needs.



Key Metrics

- Board Attendance Rate: Target 90% attendance.
- Pre-Meeting Material Distribution Compliance: 100% materials shared on time.
- Action Item Completion Rate: Target 95% completion by the next meeting.

This process ensures structured, transparent, and productive board meetings, fostering accountability and driving organizational goals forward.