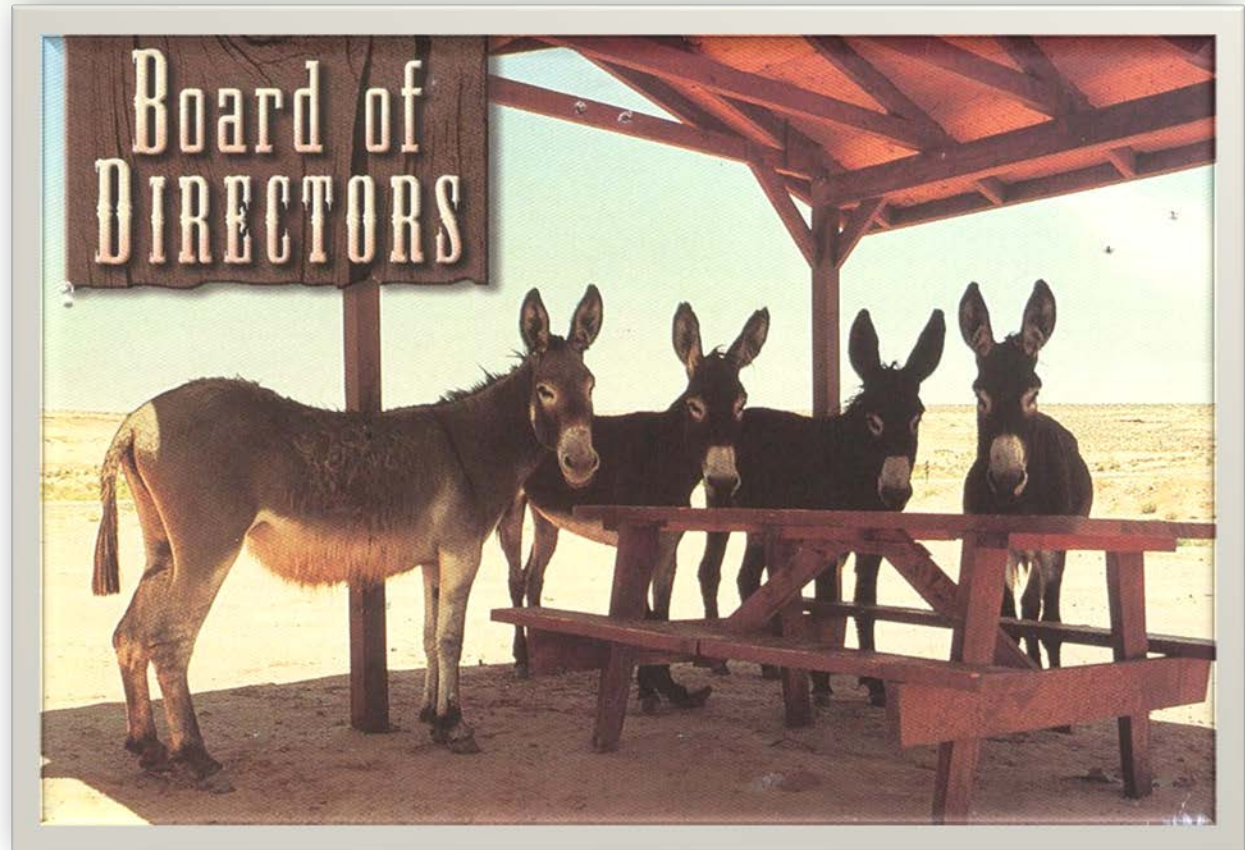




NFHS 2012

The Role of the Board Within the State Association

"THE BOARD"



RSVP—AND BE PRESENT

- ◎ R for Represent
- ◎ S for Serve
- ◎ V for Validate
- ◎ P for Promote



REPRESENT

- ① Represent your district, region, sector, or area of the state you serve
- ① Represent your Board and Association
- ① Represent your entire state
- ① Represent the NFHS and its platform
- ① Represent what is good and honorable about education-based activities in our country



SERVE

- ① Be prepared to serve—develop that mindset
- ① Serve the customers of the state—
student/athletes, parents/families,
educators/coaches/administrators/school boards
- ① Serve and Support your association—executive
director, assistants, and staff
- ① Serve and Salute those who have gone before
you—preserve and maintain the legacy



VALIDATE

- ① Validate the work and efforts of the state association
- ① Validate the actions taken and decisions made by the executive director and assistant directors
- ① Validate your position on the Board by staying engaged with the business and operations of the state association
- ① Validate the presence of the state association and its impact on all student/athletes



PROMOTE

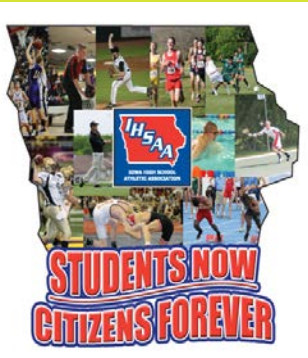
- ③ Promote the service and mission of the state association and national federation
- ③ Promote the values of education-based activities
- ③ Promote programs, tournaments, state meets, and contests affiliated with the state association
- ③ Promote/Market the positive experiences and opportunities that await the student/athletes in your state by participating in membership activities



RSVP



- ① Defined as an initialism of a French phrase meaning “Please respond”
- ① As a Board Member who has been called upon or elected to serve--you must respond
- ① Commitment and Loyalty . . .
- ① Be Present . . .
- ① Thank you



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NFHS Workshop -- The Role of the Board within The State Association





Virginia High School League

313 Member Schools



•Office Staff

(14 full-time staff; one part-time)

- Executive Director
- Director of Compliance
- Three Assistant Directors
- Chief Financial Officer
- Director of Development
- Director of Communications
- Office Manager/Admin. Asst.
- Three Senior Secretaries
- Two Bookkeepers
- Receptionist/Support Asst.



•Executive Committee

(28 voting members; 2 non-voting members)

- Four Group AAA Principals
- Four Group AA Principals
- Four Group A Principals
- Department of Ed Representative
- Eight Division Superintendents
- School Board Member
- Three Directors of Athletics
(AAA, AA, A)
- Virginia Citizen (PTA Rep)
- Two General Assembly Members
- Past Chairman – non-voting
- Executive Director – non-voting



Keys to Success



- Communication
- Cooperation
- Consistency





Role of Board Members



1. Work with officers of the Executive Committee.
2. Become familiar with the rules and regulations of the League.
3. Determine what membership wants and needs and bring those to the attention of the entire Executive Committee.



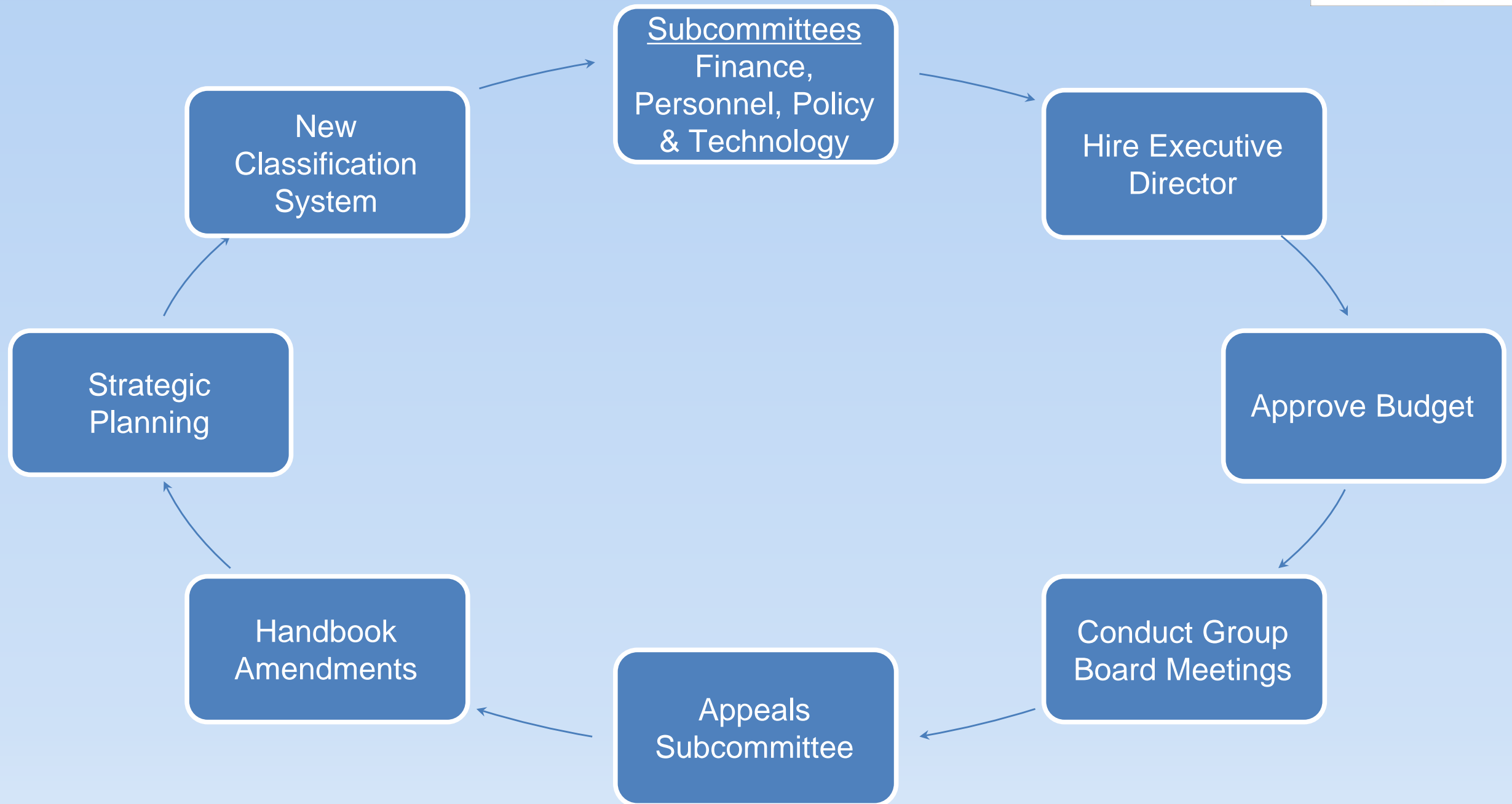
Role of Board - Continued



4. Be prepared by doing your homework prior to meetings.
5. Act as a unified body when deliberations are complete.
6. You are closer than most of your colleagues to the operation of the League.
7. Be constructive and let your goal be to **strive to build a stronger organization.**



Additional Executive Committee Roles





Relations with Staff



- Executive Committee addresses major policies facing the League and does not concern itself with administrative details.
- Virginia's Executive Committee **does not** micro-manage VHSL daily office operations.
- Executive Committee's responsibility is to establish the rules and regulations governing the VHSL member schools.
- The office staff's responsibility is to interpret and implement the rules and regulations.



Paperless Meetings



- VHSL uses BoardDocs (used by many school divisions)
- Members bring laptops or iPads to meetings and login through VHSL's BoardDocs website to view the agenda and pertinent information for the meeting
- Ability to prevent public from viewing “Confidential” information – public and committee login



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