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Maximizing Your Nonprofit Board Tenure: Leadership, Service and Advancement

March 31, 2016 at 6 PM
Boston, MA

Serving as a nonprofit board member can be incredibly rewarding and it can also pose challenges. You may encounter board management issues or question how to maximize your tenure advancing the organization's cause, while meeting your personal and professional goals. Our panelists will address questions such as:

- The founder seems to flounder; when and how does the board intervene?
- The Executive Director is leaving (retirement, illness, new job, maternity leave). Do we promote from within, hire an Interim ED, or step up to the plate?
- Where is the line between governance, management, and meddling?
- What about fundraising?

Please fill out a [brief and anonymous survey](#). This is your opportunity to curate the evening. Your participation will help determine the course of the discussion. Thank you for your participation. The evening promises to be informative and thought provoking.

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Participants

Introduction by **Leigh Fraser** from Ropes & Gray

Laura Gassner Otting, Limitless Possibility and Former CEO and Founder of Nonprofit Professionals Advisory Group

Katie Pakenham, Limitless Possibility

Event Details

Date: March 31, 2016

Time: 5:30 PM Registration.

We will begin *promptly* at 6 PM; please arrive early. Since it is disruptive to everyone when latecomers enter the session, those arriving after an education session has begun will only be admitted at the discretion of 100WHF and the host. Please note the start time on this invite and plan to arrive early.

Networking and cocktails before and after session.

Host: Ropes & Gray

Location: Prudential Tower, 800 Boylston Street, **Boston**, MA 02199

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Admission is free, but there is a \$25 charge if you register and do not attend, even if you cancel in advance. No-show proceeds will be donated to the beneficiary of 100WHF's most recent US philanthropic initiatives.

If you have no-show fees in arrears, the system cannot register you for an event. You can view and pay for any outstanding no-show fees online from your [Member Profile](#)

Space is limited. No walk-ins will be permitted.

Biographies

Laura Gassner Otting, Founder, Limitless Possibility and Former CEO and Founder of Nonprofit Professionals Advisory Group

Laura Gassner Otting helps innovators, idealists, and iconoclasts get "unstuck"-and achieve extraordinary results. Through her consulting firm, Limitless Possibility, Laura collaborates with entrepreneurs and investors to push past the doubt and indecision that consign great ideas to limbo. She delivers strategic thinking, well-honed wisdom, and catalytic perspective informed by decades of navigating change across the start-up, nonprofit, political, and philanthropic landscapes. Laura's 25-year resume is defined by her entrepreneurial edge. She served as a Presidential Appointee in Bill Clinton's White House, helping shape AmeriCorps; left a leadership role at respected nonprofit search firm, Isaacson, Miller, to expand the startup ExecSearches.com; and founded and ran the Nonprofit Professionals Advisory Group, which partnered with the full gamut of mission driven nonprofit executives, from start-up dreamers to scaling social entrepreneurs to global philanthropists. She is the author of Mission-Driven, a book for those who moving from profit to purpose. Through her own commitment to give back, Laura has helped build a local Montessori school, co-founded a women's philanthropic initiative, advised a start-up national women's PAC, grew a citizen-leadership development program, and completed three charity-inspired marathons-projects emblematic of her passions and values.

Katie Pakenham, Co-Founder, Limitless Possibility

Katie brings world-changing ideas from dream to reality by catalyzing the greatness of others and discovering the spark of brilliance inside of each and every one of them. Her professional portfolio reflects her mission-driven ethos. In 2004, she helped found Commongood Careers, an executive search firm for social entrepreneurs and change organizations. Most recently, as Director of Network Engagement at New Profit, Katie collaborated with visionaries, philanthropists, and industry leaders to develop high-impact social justice initiatives and build dynamic networks to drive systemic change.

For Katie, philanthropy is a full-contact sport. She's all in: heart, mind, soul, and sweat equity. Katie knows what it takes to match vision with the resources and talent to succeed, whether she is helping to launch the Haiti Relief and Reconstruction Fund with the Boston Foundation, serving on the Boards of Directors of Generation Citizen and Finding Species, the Leadership Team of The Boston Opportunity Agenda, or providing volunteer leadership advisor for Project 351 and the Company of Fifers & Drummers Junior Camp.

Leigh R. Fraser, Partner, Ropes & Gray

Leigh is the co-leader of the firm's hedge funds group, focuses her practice on issues related to hedge funds and derivatives. She advises a variety of financial institutions, including hedge funds, investment advisors, mutual funds, and endowments, on derivatives and arrangements with brokers and custodians.

Leigh also has significant experience forming onshore and offshore private funds, and advising these entities and their sponsors on an ongoing basis with respect to regulatory matters and structuring new investment products.

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