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Surveys that tally the topics boards are most interested in report that directors will spend much time in 2012 focused on compensation, risk and proxy access ... *and* director professionalism and board effectiveness.

How do your directors address board effectiveness?

Six Questions To Consider

1. On a scale of one to ten, how effective is your board?
2. How is your answer to question number one validated?
3. Do all directors know what's going on in and around the company?
4. Have you engaged a mentor for any of your directors?
5. What are the protocols for distribution of information to the board; is it timely and do directors actively use a board web portal?
6. This year, will your annual board evaluation be conducted in a meaningful way?

**Ask these questions during the executive session at your next board meeting.
The answers might help your board to continuously improve.**

New questions are posted each month at www.governancesolutionsgroup.com. Every board can benefit from periodically taking a hard look at how it is functioning and at the status of its corporate governance structure. Sometimes high-performing individuals find it helpful to talk with an outside expert – much like the occasional consult with the golf pro, or the visit to the doctor for an annual physical.



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