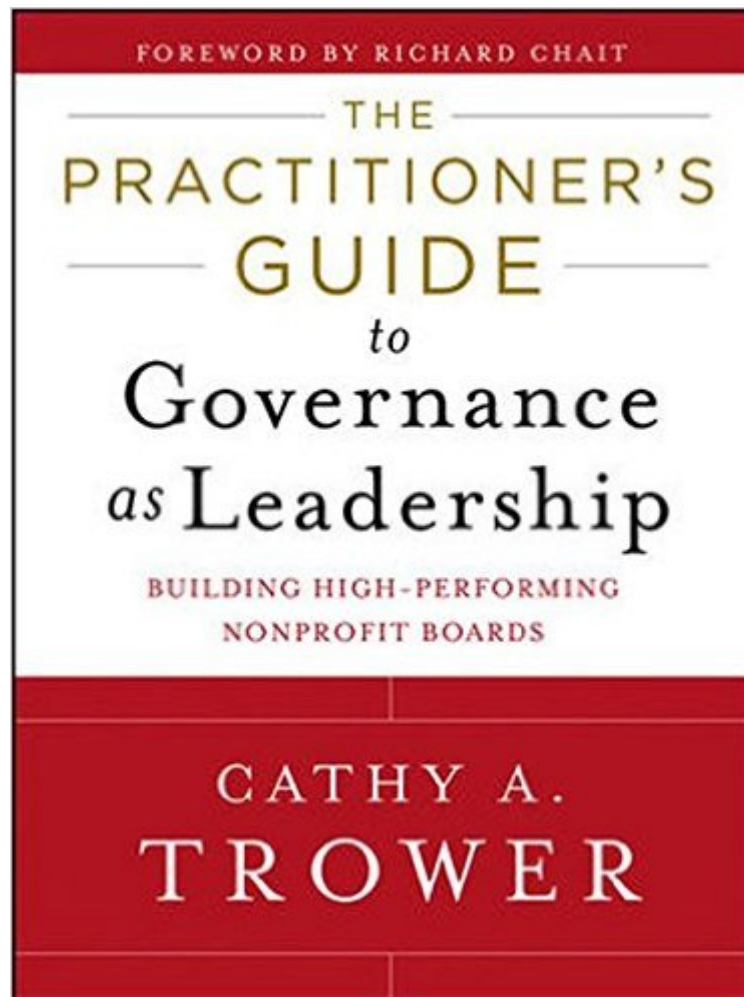


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# The Practitioner's Guide To Governance As Leadership: Building High-Performing Nonprofit Boards



## Synopsis

Praise for *The Practitioner's Guide to Governance as Leadership* "With wisdom and insight, Trower has written the seminal guide for nonprofit boards. This is a must-read for every current and incoming nonprofit board member." â Joel Allison, president and CEO, Baylor Health Care System

"For nonprofit chief executives who are ready for more engaged and purposeful boards and for board members who want to work more meaningfully and be true partners in leadership, Trower shows the way. She brings *Governance as Leadership* to life with case studies, theoretical frameworks, board exercises, and practical advice." â Susan Whealler Johnston, executive vice president, Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB)

"It has never been more critical than it is today for nonprofits to engage their boards in ways that capture the full talent, experience and resources of those who govern the work. Yet, too often, we see organizations facing a substantial board-engagement gap. In this book, Trower shares the pathway forward for nonprofit and philanthropic leaders seeking to transform their boards in ways that will have an exponential impact on everything from strategy to fundraising. I've learned much from Trower's work on board leadership over the yearsâ I'm thrilled she's now sharing it broadly through this valuable new resource for our sector." â Robert B. Acton, executive director NY, Taproot Foundation

"At BoardSource, we value *Governance as Leadership* as a groundbreaking publication that has helped thousands of board leaders view governance in a new way. With this new book, Trower has taken on the important task of connecting the dots back to the boardroom, where nonprofits of all sizes are struggling with leading their organizations through these challenging times ... she deftly combines business, psychological, and sociological principles to help board members examine their own thought processes and raise the level of thinking and discourse in the boardroom." â Linda C. Crompton, president and CEO, BoardSource

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As someone who works with nonprofit boards, this book is a gem. Not only does Trower do an excellent job of making complex ideas digestible, she has research and case studies that further explicate the many facets of Governance as Leadership. I particularly like the chart that explains the distinctions between the three modes, as well as the detail given to generative thinking. I find that many boards struggle with elevating the discourse and asking strategic questions. This book is a must-read and all the vignettes from her interviews with nonprofits makes the information accessible and real.

From a Pastor with nearly fifty-years experience: It takes some adjusting and "translating" for the church as a non-profit. But the results of doing so are most profitable. It addresses so many of the reasons why church boards are often dysfunctional. It leads to the transformation of the church board if enough church leaders study, discuss, and apply the principles.

Excellent guide for those who have never sat on a board. Boring reading but a MUST

Excellent book for boosting board leadership in a non-profit organization.

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