Nonprofit Board Role Assessment Checklist

	Defined in	Board Fulfilling	Recent Evidence
Element of the Board's Role	Bylaws?	Role?	of Board Activity
Selecting, monitoring, evaluating, compensating and			
 if necessary – replacing the Executive 			
Director/Chief Executive Officer (the "CEO"),			
Developing and approving succession plans with			
respect to senior executives of the organization			
Defining and reevaluating from time-to-time the			
long-term strategy by which the organization fulfills			
its mission			
Monitoring the performance of the organization in			
implementing the strategy			
Establishing the composition of the board and its			
committees and determining governance practices			
Reviewing and approving material capital allocations			
and expenditures and major transactions;			
Approving budgets, financial plans and financial			
statements; monitoring and ensuring the integrity of			
the organization's financial reporting processes,			
internal control systems and audit			
Hiring the independent auditor (if any) and assuring			
itself of the auditor's independence			
Balancing constituency interests in a manner that is			
consistent with the mission			
Understanding the organization's risk profile and			
reviewing and overseeing the organization's			
management of risks			
Ensuring compliance with all applicable laws,			
regulations, policies and ethical standards of the			
organization (e.g., IRS regs., conflict of			
interest/related party transaction policies)			
Assisting in obtaining resources through making			
personally meaningful financial contributions,			
fundraising and/or grant-writing			
Comply with prudent management of funds rules			
and donor-imposed restrictions			