

Note to the Boss

I wanted to take this opportunity to update the membership on what your Board of Directors has been doing since the conference. On June 30th and July 1st the Board met to hold our 2nd annual strategic planning meeting. This was started last year by our past president Tim Howell and I believe it was something that helped develop a more strategic approach to managing our organization and wanted to continue that. We reviewed where we were with respect to the previous year's goals and whether our goals had been met or where we fell short and I can say overall good progress had been made last year.

We then began to discuss what our goals would be going forward. Last year we had a lot of basic foundational goals that we needed to get accomplished to set the organization on firm ground for the future. Some examples were the bylaws cleaned up, establishing the reserve fund, our policy and procedures manual. With most of this work complete we looked at what areas and goal we needed to address for this next year and beyond.

When we began to discuss goals the question was raised about what does the membership want and what do the affiliates want? I believe and think the rest of the board agrees that our organization is very much membership driven and in the end the Board really answers to you the membership. So while we still have some foundational goals to achieve the board has decided to survey our bosses, you the members, as to what you would like to see us focus on, address as issues, and in general give us feedback as to what is important to you. We are doing the same thing with the affiliates.

This leads me to the title that I chose for my letter. I am a very big believer in Servant Leadership. I think this approach will ultimately give you the members a bigger voice in the direction of the organization. And give us, the Board, an answer as to what we need to focus on for goals based on what you the stakeholders see as important.

In the end without our members and affiliates, the organization withers and dies. So it is important that we get input from you, build our membership by showing that TAGITM brings value to any size governmental organization, learn from each other, and of course still have fun while we do it. Please keep your eyes peeled next week for the email regarding the survey. Your feedback is both NECESSARY and IMPORTANT!

I again want to thank you the members for giving me this opportunity to lead TAGITM for the next year. If you ever have any questions or suggestions please feel free to email me tull@granbury.org.

Here is to a great next year!

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