

**Training Leaders Committee Notes
Private Sector Leadership, Strategy #5
November 28, 2006**

The meeting of Private Sector Leadership – Strategy 5 Committee began at 1:30pm with Sherri Ziegenhals and Robin Mercer presiding.

In attendance were Susie Cardwell, Dr. Fred Kanke, Brian McClain, Gloria McDonald, Jenna Armstrong, Tina Alexander-Sellers, Cathy Pavlic, Robin Mercer, and Sherri Ziegenhals.

The purpose of this meeting was to hold a round table discussion regarding the needs and requirements profit and not-for-profit boards and to see if these boards are finding qualified members.

Cathy Pavlic, from the Women's Shelter, explained their thorough board application, review, orientation, and commitment process. Tina Alexander-Sellers, with the United Way, also volunteered information about the United Way agencies and their boards. Each of these boards has various mechanisms to recruit and train their board members. Both agreed some of the same community-involved people get contacted for numerous committee and board positions. Everyone agreed that a central program for volunteer board training would be ideal. From this training a resource list could be built.

The group also reviewed the Leadership Development Series and the Working with "Boards" Series presented by Brian McClain. Classes are scheduled for the Leadership Development Series in February 2007. The Working with Boards Series is not currently scheduled.

Information on the Leadership Development Series will be sent via email to Leadership Lufkin graduates and a flier with registration information will run in the monthly Chamber Packet. It was also suggested that a page titled Professional Development be placed on the Chamber's web-site with all this current information as well as any further classes/information provided by this committee.

The committee needs to review the Working with Boards Series and:

- Pick dates to hold classes and confirm with Brian
- Market courses/plan any advertising (Chamber packet; emails to LL graduates, Chamber businesses)
- Follow up on those who attend to add to "board pool"

Robin suggested we obtain a current list of all NFP boards and their board members. A mail out to all of these people regarding the Working with Boards Series would assist in encouraging attendance. Businesses could also receive this mailing as they might identify people within their company who may benefit from

these courses and/or be potential members of other boards. Robin was also to contact Janet Taylor of the CCBC as she may have a listing of all these boards.

The committee has scheduled another meeting on January 23 at 1:30pm at the Chamber in the board room. Meeting concluded at 2:45p.m.

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