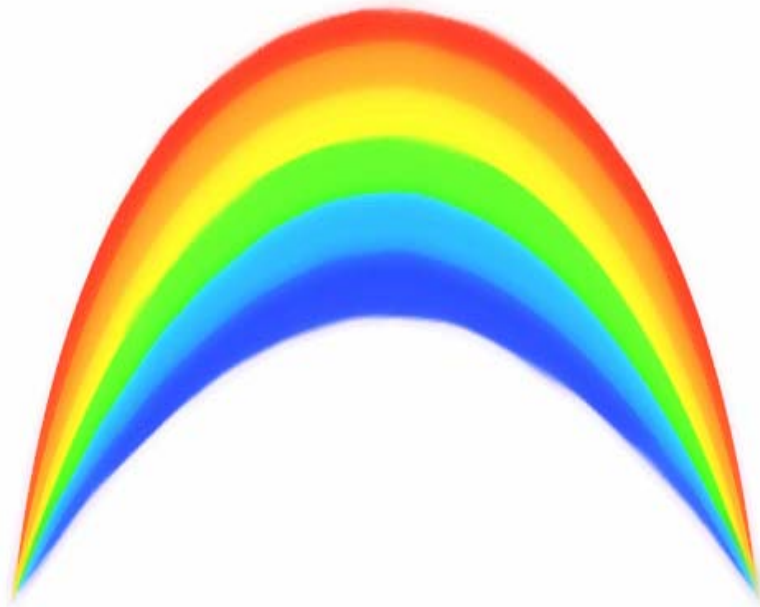




6 Decisions Framework



Watershed Group Governance

Setting Long Term Direction: *Strategic and/ or Watershed Plan*

Setting Annual Priorities: *Internal & Programmatic*

Evaluating Effectiveness of Organization

Approving and Monitoring Annual Budget

Approving and Implementing Fundraising Plan

Recruiting and orienting new Board Members

Six Decisions

An organization makes six governance decisions every year which move the group forward. These decisions can be made intentionally – by being placed on the agendas of meetings called for those purposes-- or by default behind the scenes. Groups can avoid many miscommunications and power struggles by making these decisions together. While mistakes and disappointments will strain even the best group processes, an intentional leader helps the group implement those decisions and develop a culture of accountability.

Discussion Points:

- Where in the spectrum does our board feel most comfortable?
- Where do we need to pay more time?
- Which decisions are decided by default rather than intent?