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#### Board Retreat and Capitalizing on opportunities Dr. Maya Lynum-Walker

#### What we will cover

- Things to consider
- Importance
- Discussion
- Question & Answer

#### The Board

According to Accounting Dictionary, "A Board member is an elected participant on the <u>board of directors</u> of a corporation or the supervisory committee of an organization"

Retrieved from myaccountingcourse.com



#### Importance

- Investment
- Creative thinking
- Remove restrictions
- Address concerns
- Initiate new energy
- Development

#### **Defining Success**

- Create a meaningful agenda & purpose
- Creating ownership among the board
  - Goals and intentions
- Include board members in the planning process
  - Ask the question "What is one thing you hope to accomplish?"





#### Creative Ideas



#### Meaty Issues

Develop strategic plans

Addressing change

Discussing information that may be sensitive in traditional meetings

- Conflict resolution
- Discussing the engagement of board members
- Current state of the organization

#### To facilitate or not to facilitate

- When hosting Board Retreat, consider having a facilitator for the retreat. This could be:
  - Someone with non-profit experience, board experience
  - Impact driven
  - Engaging
  - Present
  - On going support
  - Price

## Back to the Business

#### • The Why

- Who is your stakeholder and how do you wan to support them?
- Investment in the organization
- Re-visiting what brought you to the Board
- Reset in the mission of the board
- Utilize the time to engage in thoughtful conversation
- Promote growth

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# Question & Answers

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