AGENDA

“Board members can be successful strategic leaders if they nurture their sense of group responsibility. All members must participate in the discipline and productivity of the groups. All members must be willing to challenge and urge each other on to big dreams, lucid values and fidelity to their trusteeship. All members must cherish diversity in viewpoints as well as the challenge of reaching an unambiguous single board position derived from that diversity. All members must strive for accountability in the board’s job, confident that if quality dwells in the boardroom, the rest of the organization will take care of itself.” ~ John Carver ~

Goals:  
Develop a sense of team  
Discuss shared values  
Clarify roles and responsibilities

1. Ice breaker (7:00–7:15)

2. What is the purpose of the Library Board in the 21st Century given that the Hennepin, Scott and Washington County Library Boards are now simply advisory? (7:15-7:45)

3. Principles of Governance – What do we do well? What do we not do well? (7:45-8:15)

4. Carver Roles and Responsibilities – How well is the Board performing their direct responsibilities (representing the owners, creating explicit governing policies, assuring executive performance)? (8:15-8:45)

5. Next Steps (8:45-9:00)