The roles and responsibilities of board chairs and presidents are never static. The knowledge, skills, and expertise they need keep evolving as their institutions or foundations confront new contingencies and issues. They must be able to adapt and grow in response to new performance requirements, leadership challenges, adverse operating conditions, crises, and other circumstances. Experienced, outside perspective makes it easier to step back, evaluate everything that’s happening, and decide where to take action. Coaches, subject matter experts, and peer networks help board chairs and presidents keep improving—by enabling them to clearly see which improvements will most profoundly impact their effectiveness.

Support for Boards and Leaders

AGB provides coaching, resources, content, and peer networks that empower you for professional development and equip you to address the situations, issues, and challenges you’ll often face as a board chair or president. Our experts will help you evaluate the results of assessments, performance reviews, and other evaluations. They’ll work with you to develop an action plan for building on your strengths and shoring up any weaknesses. They will assist you in addressing specific professional issues, navigating organizational situations, or just talking things through. They will help you build a network of peers who are facing similar challenges and connect with subject matter experts for insights and solutions.

AGB EXPERTS ENABLE EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

AGB Consulting works with board members, presidents, or CEOs who need to:

- Respond to the results of board or presidential assessments
- Develop priorities, strategies, and action plans for continuous improvement
- Stay ahead of emerging challenges
- Quickly get up to speed as new leaders
- Talk through specific issues
- Navigate crises, internal change, disruption, and other contingencies
- Transform their institutions or foundations and lead them toward financial sustainability
- Improve their interpersonal skills to facilitate relationships with donors, legislators, executives, faculty, staff, and other stakeholders

TAILORRED TO YOUR INSTITUTION

This is NOT a one-size-fits-all service or curriculum. Both content and delivery options will be customized for you. We match you with expert consultants—former board members, former CEOs, and subject matter experts—who have experience relevant to your situation. We will work with you to identify the questions you need to answer, including:

- What type of leader does my institution or foundation need now? How might that change in the future?
- What are my strengths and where do I need to improve?
- What specific skills and expertise will I need to help my institution (or foundation) navigate the changes we’re facing?
- How do I design an action plan for continuous improvement—and really stick with it?
- Where can I find subject matter experts to advise me on areas or issues that are outside my specific expertise?
- How can I build a stronger, trusted partnership with my president (or board chair)?
- How can I get a better feel for the dynamics of the boardroom so I can provide more effective leadership?
- How are peers at other institutions or foundations handling challenges similar to those I’m facing?
- What’s coming at me that’s completely beyond my anticipation, experience, or comfort zone?
- What should I be doing differently, or not at all?

Higher education is in a constant state of evolution, and AGB helps its members deal with the changes and advises how to navigate all of the complexities.

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AGB was very critical in the early stages of my career as a foundation CEO in terms of my relationship with my volunteer leaders, and the development of the processes and procedures that we needed to put in place to make sure that we had a strong board.

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