

2025 AGB Institute for Foundation Board Leaders and Chief Executives

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The most important relationship for effective governance at institutionally related foundations is between the board chair and chief executive. To succeed, both must work as a team for the sake of the institution their foundation serves and the students who benefit from that service. The AGB institute delves into the dynamics of the foundation-institution relationship, focusing on alignment and a joint commitment to the foundation's role in advancing the strategic priorities of the university/college.

Escape from Daily Distractions and Focus on Your Shared Vision

Step away from the day to day, engage in shared planning, and benefit from expert guidance. Foundation board leaders and chief executives will spend dedicated, structured time together focused on important outcomes for their foundation and institution. Foundation teams attend to:

- » Establish mutual expectations for roles and responsibilities.
- » Establish mutual understanding and a framework for holding each other—and the board—accountable for advancing the foundation's strategic priorities.
- » Assess the board and develop a unique "governance action plan" for turning board governance into a value-added asset.
- » Receive one-on-one consultation with experts.
- » Share memorable moments with a peer network that can be tapped for support after the institute concludes.

Highly Engaging and Small by Design

AGB's renowned institutes are limited to a small number of teams and are for members only—so you get the attention you need. Participants value this intimate setting as well as:

- » A contemplative environment suited for focused learning and action planning
- » Lively, facilitated small group sessions that reveal best practices and innovations in governance and examples of effective strategies from other foundations
- » Chair-chief executive team meetings interspersed throughout the program and one-on-one consultations for added guidance

Participants will depart having strengthened their team, found answers to emerging challenges, and created a focused agenda that moves both the board and the foundation forward.

A digital certificate and badge are conveyed upon program completion.

NEW THIS YEAR



Include the President in the Foundation Leadership Partnership

As recommended by prior institute participants, AGB has adapted the institute agenda to include institution presidents along with their foundation CEOs and chairs. The participation of a president is not required but affords a great opportunity to develop a shared agenda to advance campus priorities.



The purpose of the AGB Foundation Leadership Institute is to pull together, in a smaller, intentional setting, CEOs and foundation board chairs to explore topics such as governance and management, strategic planning, and how we partner with our institutions of higher education."

—Cynthia Roth
President and CEO, West Virginia University Foundation



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