

Legislative Committee Proposal

Concerns:

- We don't have sufficient or timely monitoring capacity
- By the time we have information, the window has often closed.
- Meetings and reports are after the fact – The decisions are already taken

Objective –

- To increase relevance and timeliness

Procedures

- ID issues at the summer retreat according to our strategic plan.
- Fall – assign a board monitor to follow selected issues and represent the board's interest and perspective to the legislature. (These point people would be expected to be the liaison within their area).
- If the monitor finds that s/he cannot faithfully agree with the board's philosophical position, then they must inform the board chair and a replacement will be named.
- The monitor must continuously monitor Hayley and Robert's updates and arrange to testify on behalf of the board. This has to be fast and formally reviewed at least once a week. Individual discretion is necessary but must be within the general directions from the board. The monitor also reports to the board monthly.
- Each board member will be asked to submit their interest areas to the chair at the retreat/ fall?
- Board activities may spin off from this process.

Logistics

- To make sure the system is vital, a staff member/ board member/ other must be assigned to actively coordinate the process.
- Assuming no staff is authorized by the legislature, arrangements must be struck with the agency and/or the board. If this proves unresponsive, then a board member will have to coordinate and implement the program. (While I am willing to be the point person in selected areas, it is time a new chair of the subcommittee be named).