



Goals and Objectives for the Next Leader of the Professional Board Support Network

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AS WE CLOSE OUT THIS YEAR at the ACCT Professional Board Support Network (PBSN) sessions in New Orleans, Louisiana, I look forward to connecting with dedicated and resilient professionals who serve their boards and communities with excellence.

I extend my sincere appreciation to current Chair Shelby Foster, whose leadership has guided the network over the past year. Serving as Vice Chair alongside her has been both an honor and a valuable opportunity for growth. I look forward to stepping into the role of Chair with anticipation. I am committed to advancing our mission by creating meaningful development opportunities that highlight the vital role board professionals play in strengthening governance.

My vision is to expand engagement within PBSN — ensuring every voice is heard, every connection matters, and our network continues to grow stronger than ever. By fostering deeper collaboration between trustees and board professionals, we can strengthen institutional effectiveness and elevate the recognition of our expertise across the ACCT community.

PBSN is, at its heart, a community built on sharing best practices, exchanging resources, and supporting one another through lived experiences. My goal is to expand PBSN's impact as a national hub for collaboration, equipping members with tools and insights to raise the standard of board support nationwide.

Your involvement is essential. Together, we must ensure

PBSN has a more substantial and more visible presence at ACCT events. Through active participation, we will uplift our voice in unity and demonstrate the value of board professionals.

As I assume this new role, I am deeply grateful to the leaders who have served before me. They each served with dignity and contributed much to the network by way of their voice, excellence, and commitment. We will work as a collaborative team to ensure that the contributions of board professionals are recognized, esteemed, and celebrated throughout the ACCT community.

Thank you!

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