**Toward Tech Savvy Trustees - Learner Guide**

<http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/toward-tech-savvy-trustees.html>

**Event Description:** Library staff are expected to embrace technology advancements and keep their skills sharp and their libraries relevant. But what about library boards—how tech savvy are your trustees? The more that trustees are dialed into a personal use of technology, the better advocates they will be for the library’s technology needs. Learn some fun and practical ways to inspire greater tech savviness in your trustees. You don’t need a board of IT specialists, just a board that has a sharper set of digital tools.

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| **What are your goals for viewing this webinar?** |  |
| **Personal Goals** |  |  |
| **Team Goals** |  |  |
| **Assessing Trustee Tech Skills** |  |
| As you think our current roster of trustees, consider these questions and how you could determine the answers:What **strengths**—including tech skills—do they bring to the board table?What tech skills or knowledge could they **further develop**?What do they **want to learn more about**? |  |
| **Aspirations Activity** |  |
| * My **aspirations** for our library’s ongoing board development are:
* The **challenges** we face in reaching these aspirations are:
* The **changes** our board needs to make to reach our aspirations are:

Once these three questions have been answered and responses recorded, summarize these conclusions by **telling a story**. Example:We began by sharing our aspirations for ongoing board development, where we envision \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(aspirations) but we face \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (challenges) So if we want to achieve our aspirations, we need to change \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.(changes needed) |  |
| **Prioritizing Strategies** |  |
| Bonnie offered a list of ways to lead trustees toward more tech savvy learning. **Prioritize the list** for yourself; in working with your board, what will you try first-second-third?* Green Your Board Meetings
* Include Demos @ Board Meetings
* Share News, Articles, and Websites @ Board Meetings
* Bring Presentations to Board Meetings
* Use Tech to Inspire Tech … And Lighten Up
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| **Additional Strategies** |  |
| Brainstorm and make a list of at least **3 additional strategies** that you could use to inspire more tech savviness with your trustees. (Don’t forget to enlist others in your community to help, e.g. tech savvy teens!)1.2.3.4. |
| **Action Plan:** (include next steps, who, when, etc.) |
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