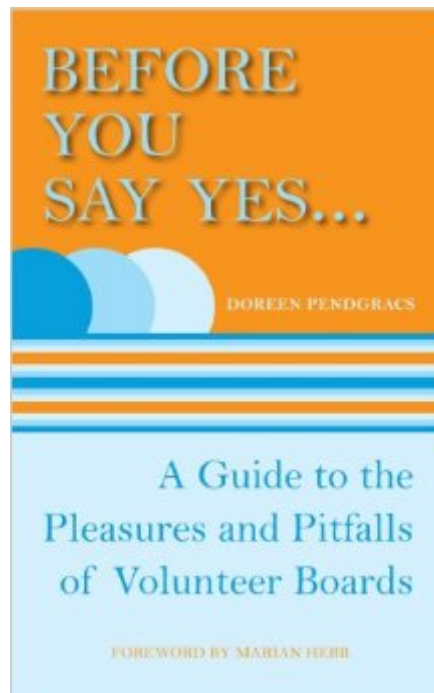


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# Before You Say Yes ...: A Guide To The Pleasures And Pitfalls Of Volunteer Boards



## Synopsis

Doreen Pendgracs has sat on various boards of directors for the past twenty-five years. During that time, she has gleaned valuable information that she shares in an easy-to-understand, conversational style for novices and seasoned members alike. Whether you're asked to sit on a trade union board, a non-profit board for a community group or church, a business-focused board of an association or chamber of commerce, or the board of a charitable organization, *Before You Say Yes* gives you the inside scoop on what questions to ask and what you need to do before you take the plunge. Ms. Pendgracs leads the reader through the intricacies of management style, board etiquette and responsibilities, Robert's Rules of Order, directors' and officers' insurance, and financial obligations and compensation. You'll also discover what happens in the case of a lawsuit or how to implement a disaster plan, how to welcome new board members and deal with difficult people, and what benefits board membership can bring to your personal life and career.

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offers advice to potential board members in a very objective fashion. This book is a must read for people who are currently volunteering or are considering doing so in the future

This is an excellent guide to volunteering for a board. One should never enter a game without knowing the rules. Similarly, one should not volunteer without reading this book. It outlines clearly what may be in store for a potential board member and mandates that you accept the position with "eyes wide open." The book is well written, contains excellent advice and I would recommend it to all good-hearted volunteers.

My Board President asked if she could borrow my first copy and apparently she has no plan to return it- so I ordered an additional one. It has been a great help especially vetting potential board candidates.

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