

WSBA Presidents' Thoughts On
Ten Tips to Being an Effective WSBA Governor

1. Read the materials, study key documents, be open to other opinions and thoughts, be willing to be wrong.
2. Speak your truth.
3. Know how to disagree without being disagreeable.
4. Realize up front that there will be times when you are on the losing vote and, if you are doing your job correctly, times when you make a motion and won't even get a second.
5. Attend committee meetings; be a good liaison to sections and committees.
6. Be respectful of staff and their time.
7. When the Board reaches a decision, all Governors support the decision.
8. Have a general understanding of Robert's Rules of Order. Have a general understanding of financial statements. Ask questions.
9. Communicate with constituents.
10. Work hard and enjoy the experience.