

NIRSA Future First Governance Transition

The NIRSA Board of Directors endorsed the following at their June 23-25, 2009 Board meeting.

Strategic Assumptions

NIRSA is a vibrant Association with many strategic and operational priorities. NIRSA's primary objective is to ensure that all business needs are met, and delivery of important member programs and services are protected.

Modeling our FUTURE FIRST structure, the transition implementation will be strategic, ensure maximum flexibility and transparent to all members. As implementation evolves, the Transition Team will assess the roles and priorities of the work teams to ensure NIRSA utilizes and adopts best practice throughout the process.

Operating Tenets

1. The NIRSA Board of Directors will review and approve all transition and implementation recommendations.
2. When an opportunity of choice is possible, the transitions required consistent with the new bylaws should occur sooner rather than later.
3. To fulfill their leadership role, anyone currently elected to office will serve out their term. When possible, volunteer leaders will not be asked to serve in dual roles.
4. Strategic communication will be utilized throughout the process.
5. The Governance Transition Team is committed to expanding leadership opportunities and creating systems to develop future leaders.
6. The 2009-2010 Student Leadership Team (SLT) will focus on their initiatives; the Student Roles & Responsibilities Work Team will focus on governance issues related to students.
7. The Assembly Work Team will model the Assembly.