Organizational Yardstick

Do you measure up?
Goals & Objectives

- Members understand the purpose of the organization.
- The constitution and by-laws are current.
- Members have read the constitution and by-laws.
- Members understand how to amend the constitution & by-laws.
Membership

- Membership is stable and growing.
- Few members drop out.
- Recruitment of new members is well organized.
- Recruitment of new members is shared by the membership and is not only the responsibility of the membership chair.
- Members know what is going on in the organization.
Meetings

- Meetings are held regularly.
- Meetings begin on time.
- Meetings are run using Robert’s Rules/ similar judicial approach.
- Members attend the meetings regularly.
- Officers attend the meetings regularly.
- Officers meet outside the regular meetings for planning.
Leadership

- Students have learned leadership techniques.
- A variety of people provide leadership for the group.
- Officers complete their terms.
- Elections are contested.
- Officers have read & understand the organization’s constitution and by-laws.
- Communication mechanisms (web, newsletter, emails) are used regularly.
A budget is developed in advance.
Dues are paid on time.
Financial reports are accurate and produced with regularity.
Long-term debt is kept to a minimum.
Self-financing events are successful.
Multiple sources of financing exist.
Special Events

- Special events are planned with the needs of the members in mind.
- Special events are self-financed.
- Special events are well attended.
- Members have an opportunity to suggest and plan special events.
Learning

- Members can identify what they have learned by participating in the organization.
- Members can learn to work cooperatively.
- Members’ leadership skills have improved over time.
- Members can identify skills that are transferable to their careers after college.