YIWH Governance Committee Charter

Mission
The YIWH Governance Committee works to develop, recommend and promote practices and guidelines relating to synagogue governance. This includes supporting the nominating committee, recommendations regarding bylaws and board processes, review of committee structure, and board development.

Membership and Committee Structure:
- Committee composition:
  - Chairperson (who is a member of the board) appointed by the president
  - Immediate Past YIWH President
  - At least 3 additional members (consultation of Chairperson and President)

- Committee participation is on a rotational basis (not permanent), to be determined by the committee.
- The Chairman will be limited to a maximum consecutive term to be determined by the committee.
- The Governance committee meets at least twice per year.

Tasks:
The Governance Committee:
- Reviews and makes recommendations related to:
  - The responsibilities of board members to the board and the synagogue (Board Member Commitment)
  - The operation of the board
  - The organization of committees to assist the board to fulfill its responsibilities (https://www.yiwh.org/committees-draft)

- On an annual basis, will ensure “Board” committees have reviewed their respective sub-committees mission statements and make a recommendation to the President whether committee is still needed and active and whether mission statement is still reflective of committee work.
  - Shall ensure any new committee created will complete a “Committee Template”

- Develops and recommends an annual self-evaluation for the board, administers the evaluation, and reports the results to the board.

- Shall create and annually update board guidelines, which it provides to the board for annual review and/or training.