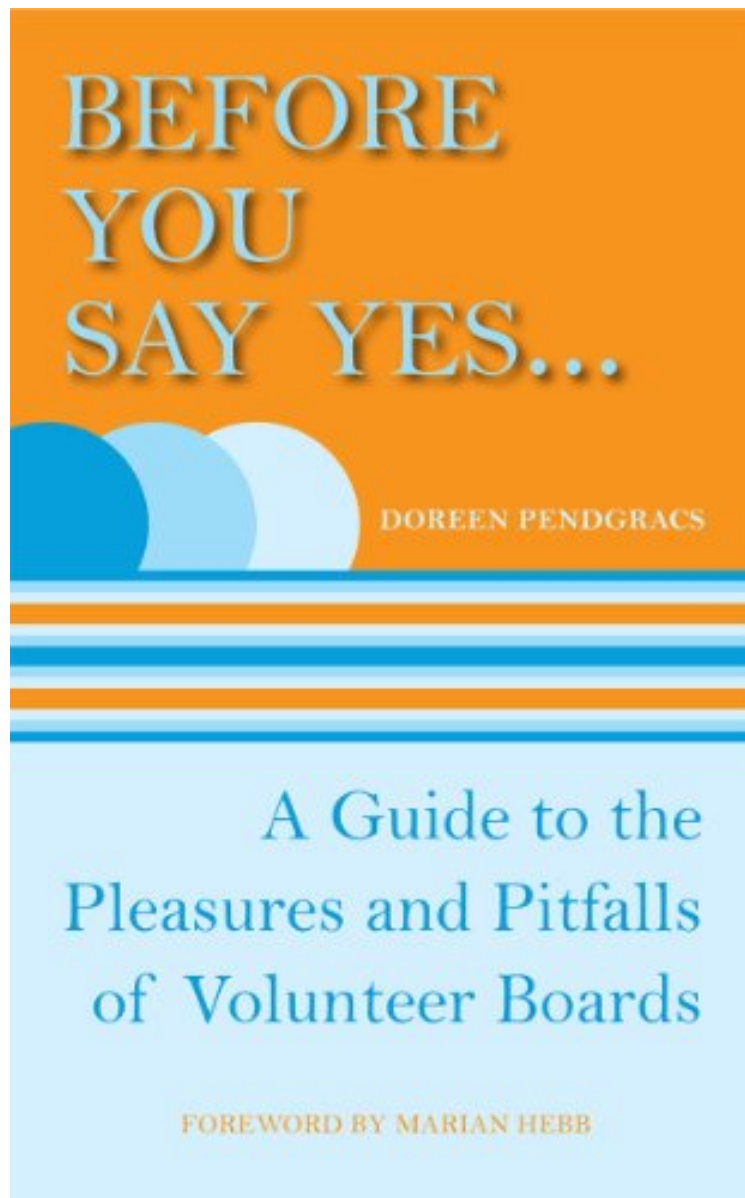


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Volunteering seems a pastime of many, whether committed to a particular cause or perhaps as seniors wanting to donate time to favourite organizations. In her very readable and well organized book, Doreen Pendgracs walks readers through the pleasures of volunteer boards as well as some of the pitfalls of serving on them Her book covers matters that might occur on small boards or larger ones and includes information on matters like fiscal responsibility and how to deal with sensitive issues that could arise/ Pendgracs has thoroughly researched the topic and 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

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.

*Before You Say Yes ...* has so much great advice and tips, even though it is a short and easy-to-read book. The book is useful whether you serve on your homeowner's association board, a nonprofit board, your church board, or a business and professionally oriented board. You'll learn board etiquette and responsibilities, about Robert's Rules of Order, how to deal with difficult people, and what a gift board membership can be to you personally and professionally ... Her book is clearly a quick and effective reference for all interested readers. (Five Stars) (About.com) This slim volume is practical, direct, and a sensible reference for those either considering a paid position, or a volunteer board position. (BCLocalNews.com) From the Inside Flap  
In a conversational style, Doreen Pendgracs shares valuable information from her 25 years of experience sitting on various boards. Pendgracs leads the reader through the intricacies of management style, board etiquette, and financial obligations, creating a full picture of what you need to know before agreeing to serve on any kind of board.  
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