

## **Discussion: Opportunities for Modifying Governance and How Services Are Performed**

- 1) Grantee eligibility: As between staff and commission, how are IOLTA eligibility decisions handled? What types of eligibility issues arise? What are the roles of staff and commission in addressing those issues?
  - Is the current procedure efficient? Is it effective for surfacing issues?
  - What types of issues of eligibility do you see?
  - Are the matters being brought to you the right ones (not too trivial, and not omitting issues that you would like to see)? How much time do you spend doing this committee work – is it the right amount of time?
  - Are there changes that you would like to explore to improve effectiveness?
  - Is the relationship between committee Eligibility and Budget decisions and level of information at the Commission level appropriate
  - Are you provided sufficient information to make informed decisions?
- 2) Discretionary Grants: What is the discretionary grant process? As between staff and commission, how are discretionary grants selected? What are the roles of staff and commission in the selection process?
  - Do you feel that you have enough information to select discretionary grants fairly?
  - Is the current procedure efficient?
  - Are there changes that you would like to explore to improve effectiveness?
  - Is the relationship between committee Partnership grant decisions and level of information at the Commission level appropriate?
- 3) What is the Reboot Committee? Is there a document that describes its authority, objectives and scope, meeting frequency, reporting requirements, structure, size, and selection process, and required resources to support its work?
- 4) What types of policy decisions has the Commission made – how do the issues arise, and how is the Commission informed about those issues?
- 5) What does the Commission feel it's most important role? contributions?
- 6) Several ideas have been raised with respect to the future of the LSTFC -- Would they be an improvement? Would they work? Why or why not?
  - Staff driven model, without a standing Commission -- either a Commission would be convened when major changes are expected/occur, for example the settlement with the banks that created a new pool of funds, or the policy decisions would go directly to the Board of Trustees
  - Consolidate the LSTFC with the Access to Justice Commission and/or the Council on Access and Fairness
  - Set up the Trust Fund Program outside the Bar, in an existing or new foundation
- 7) As we embark on this process, what else do you think is important to know about the Commission?