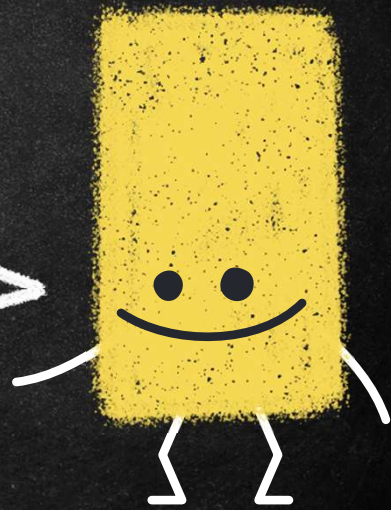


GOVERNANCE DOCUMENT UPDATES AND NEXT STEPS!

GIT 6 QUARTERLY MEETING – SEPTEMBER 7, 2022



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Governance and Management Framework for the Chesapeake Bay Program

GIT 6 Recommended Edits to Governance Document for
approval at July 14, 2022 Management Board Meeting



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October 7, 2021

Update date

June 14, 2022 Version

KEY

Red underline = additions Red-strikeout = deletions

Blue Border: Identifies substantive edits approved by GIT 6 and recommended to MB for acceptance at July 14, 2022 meeting. (7 total edits). MB action requested.

Green Border: Identifies substantive edits previously approved by MB at their June 9, 2022 meeting. No MD action needed – included for reference only.

Red Border: Non-substantive formatting and other notes to be addressed before document is finalized. No MB action needed – included for reference only.

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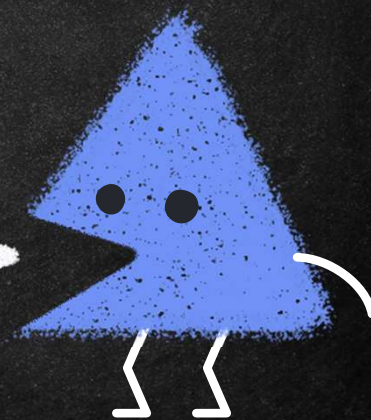
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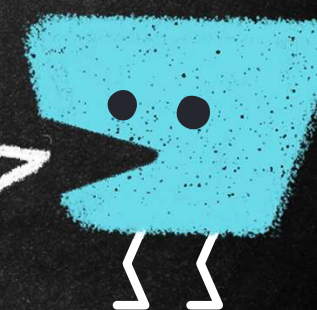
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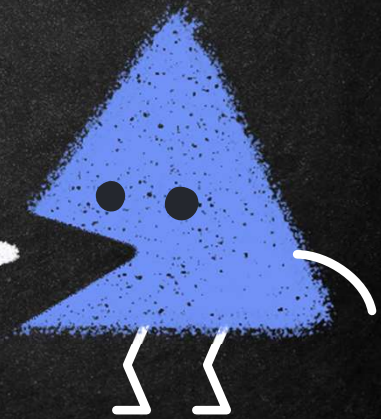
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- Cleaning up “Vision & Principle” quotes (pg 4-5)
 - Addressing use of the word “citizen” (6 changes)
 - Add roles of staff (pg 7)
 - Remove masculine “chairman” (2 changes)
 - Clarify EC responsibilities in responding to Adv. Comm. recommendations (pg. 9).

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- Emphasize DEIJ considerations in GIT & WG appointments and leadership (4 changes)
 - Address “Unavoidable Absences from Meetings” (pg. 22).
 - Non-substantive formatting etc (bazillion changes).

WHAT ARE WE STILL WAITING FOR?

Pending EC approval of proposed changes to address use of the word “Citizen” in the *Watershed Agreement*.

IF APPROVED, that will result in 3 changes to the wording of the “Vision & Principles” sections in the Governance Document



NOW WE NEED YOUR INPUT ON NEXT STEPS:

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FYI's on status of a few edits that we are definitely moving forward on...



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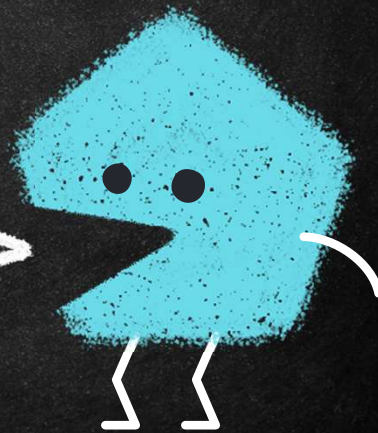
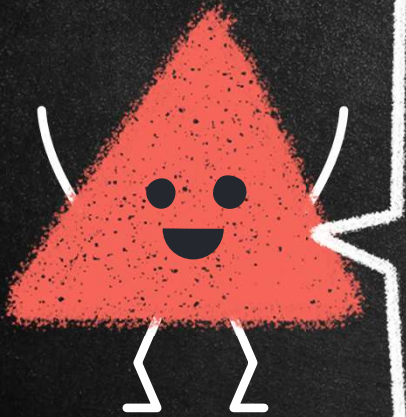
GIT 6 input on a few other edits that we are debating if it is better to address or leave as is...





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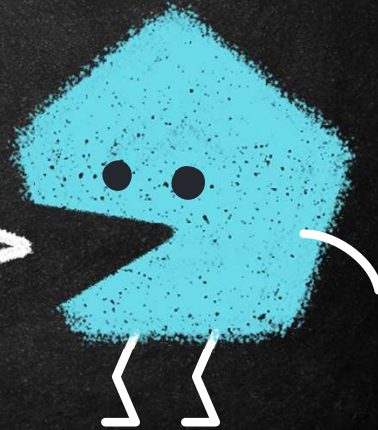
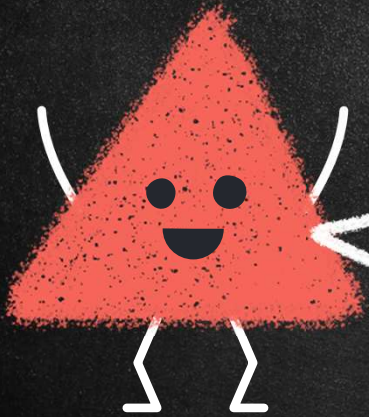
- Current “Management Strategies” section (pgs 26-27) is inserted into the middle of numerous “process” sections.
- It is important, but out of place. Do we redraft as a “process” or move somewhere else?





“GIT LEADERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP” SECTION

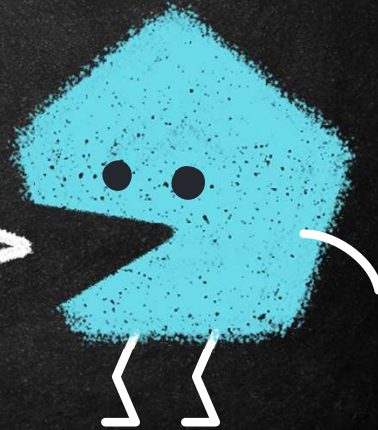
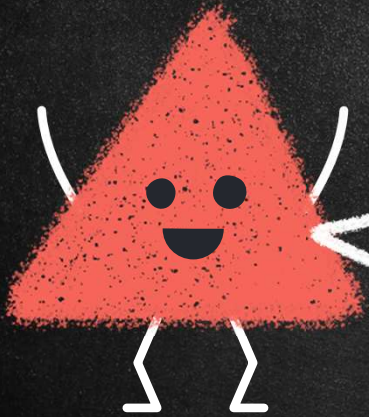
- Current section (pgs 14-15) is very wordy and extremely confusing.
- Current content is fine, but we need to reformat in a way that is easier to follow.





ADDRESSING NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES

- We should address Native American Tribes.
- One challenge is that they represent a new “category” in our organization.
- This will be addressed, but need further input (EC, legal review?)



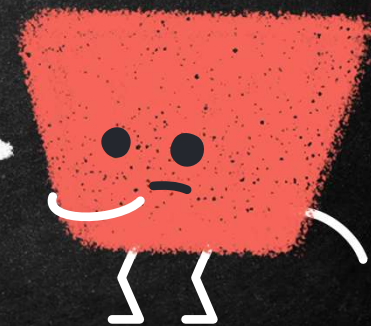


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ALTERNATIVE DECISION MAKING?

- Governance Document states that consensus is the partnership's, "*preferred decision-making approach*" (pg 20), but there are, "*situations in which consensus is inappropriate or in which consensus is not necessary*" (pg 22).
- There is no clarification on when consensus is inappropriate or not necessary, nor any alternative approach provided.
- Do we address or leave alone?



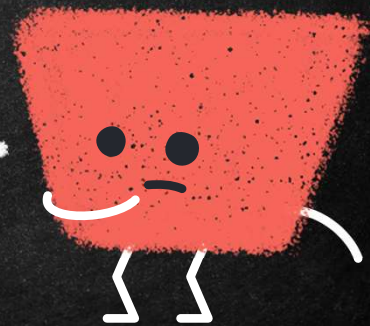


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GIT AND WORKGROUP CHAIR?

- Governance Document is silent on whether GIT and WG Chairs are also voting members. The question has been raised.
- Ethical Behavior Guidelines section (pg 6), states, “*Chairs and Co-Chairs of meetings are expected to be particularly sensitive to potential conflicts of interest by themselves resulting from decisions of the group and conduct the meeting and their input accordingly.*”
- Do we address or leave alone?



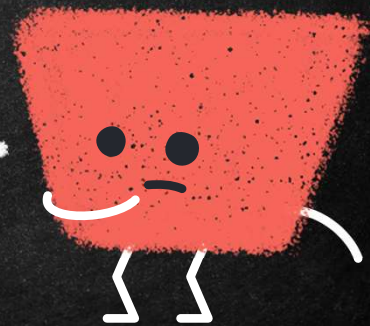


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USE OF THE WORD, "STAKEHOLDER"?

- The word, "stakeholder" appears 10 times in the Governance Document.
- It has been brought to our attention that "stakeholder", a) is not in common usage anymore, and b) is interpreted by some as suggesting someone who has a monetary interest in the bay and, therefore, is exclusionary.
- "Stakeholder" appears 9 times in the *Watershed Agreement*
- Do we address or leave alone?





THANK YOU!

