



Policy Workflow

BOC Work Session
April 8, 2019

Report from Great Government Committee

- Committee discussed on March 25th
- Discussion and feedback about approach to individual Commissioner initiatives
- Committee voted to advance to work session for Board discussion
 - Committee asked staff to consider modifications based on feedback

What is “Policy Workflow?”

- Build on existing structures and process
- Need to operationalize how individual Commissioner ideas navigate the policy development process
- Primary goal is to facilitate transparency and communication
- Affects how we use our committees, work sessions, and regular meetings

Existing Structure and Process

- **Board Goals** – Annual goal-setting and prioritization process
 - Initiatives allocated staff capacity, run through committees and work sessions as needed
- **4 Hour Rule** – Commissioner proposals do not receive more than 4 hours of staff time without the full Board's awareness
 - Facilitate transparency and communication
 - Focus staff capacity on full Board's priorities
 - Initial 4 hours focuses on overall goals, County's role, impacts
- **Committees** – Chairs have discretion to schedule topics

Existing Structure and Process

Board Committee

- Initial feedback from subset of Commissioners on staff-presented issues
- Shape and refine fresh ideas
- Recommend items for consideration by the full Board

Work Session **(Committee of the Whole)**

- Share proposals and information with the full Board
- “Fine tune” policy proposals
- Board provides a solid course of action
- Committee Reports
- Consider all Education and Economic Strength topics

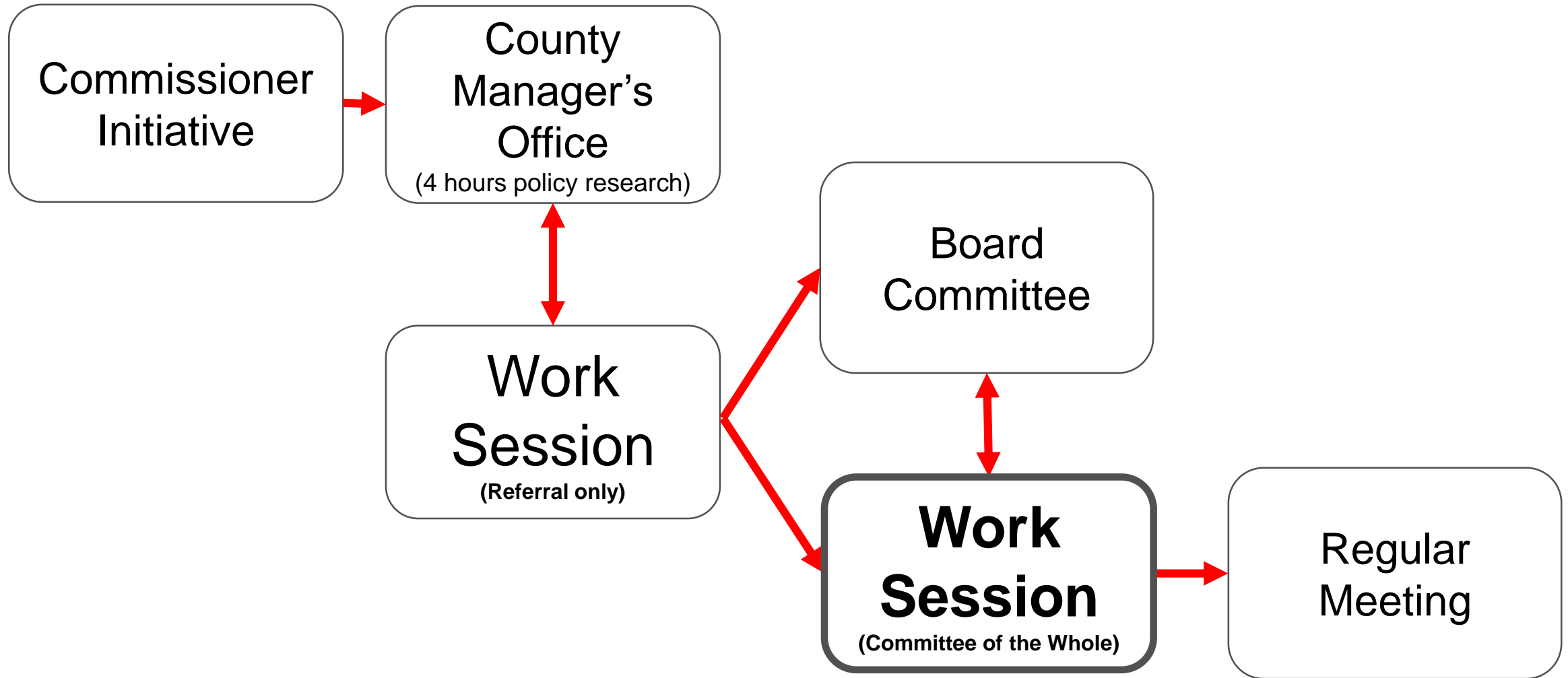
Regular Meeting

- Formally consider (vote on) policy changes
- Allocate budget resources
- Approve statutorily required actions

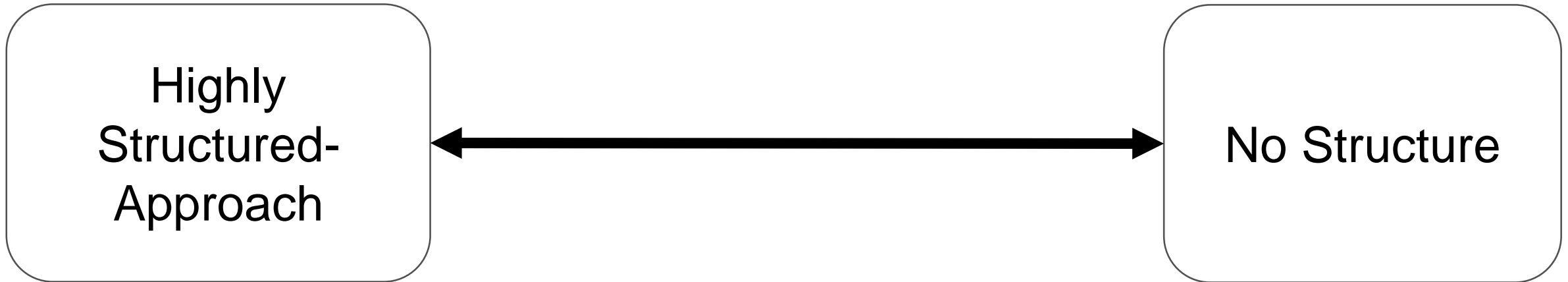
Individual Commissioner Proposals

- More structure would facilitate transparency and communication
- Need opportunity for Board discussion with everyone together
- Use the Board's time in work sessions and committees effectively and efficiently
- Affirm we're aligning staff capacity with Board's priorities
 - Need clear Board approval for additional dedicated staff time

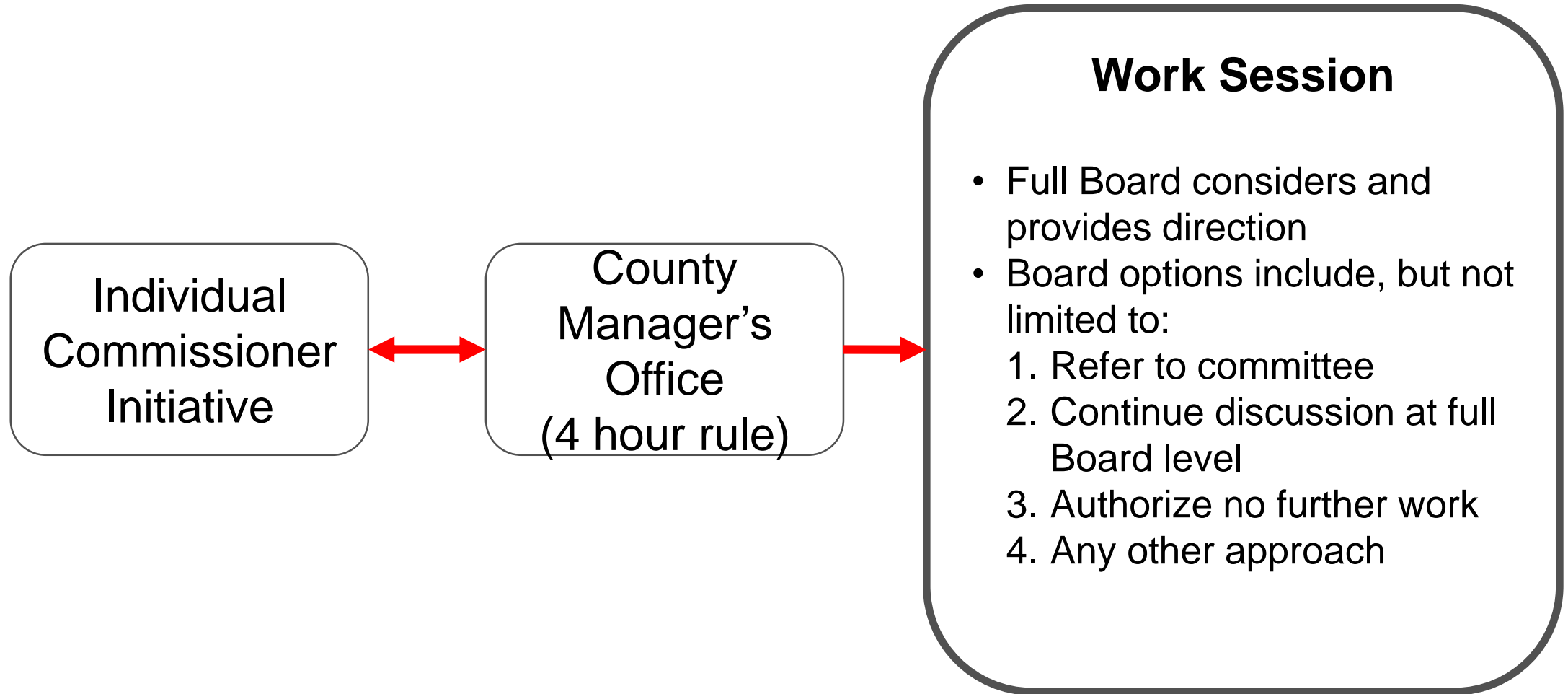
Great Government Committee: First Draft



Committee Discussion Take-Away: Finding the Right Balance



After Committee Discussion: New Draft



Proposed Next Steps

- Continue using 4 Hour Rule
- Use remainder of 2019 as trial period for policy workflow
- Work session changes
 - Move committee reports from regular meetings to work sessions
 - Board will discuss individual Commissioner initiatives when raised
- Continue working Board Goal initiatives through committees and work sessions as needed

Questions and Discussion