Instructions for your initial meeting of your Board of Directors (Organizational Meeting):

- 1. You should set up a corporate records binder for your nonprofit organization in order to hold important documents such as:
 - a. Certificate of Incorporation
 - b. Bylaws
 - c. Minutes of Organizational Meeting (its content is discussed below in item 2; referenced in item 3)
 - d. Minutes of General Meetings
 - e. Board of Directors Meeting Notes
- 2. Your first board meeting is usually referred to as the **Organizational Meeting of the Board**. The board should take the following actions:
 - a. Approving the Bylaws
 - b. Appointing Officers
 - c. Setting an Accounting Period and Tax Year
 - d. Approving Initial Transactions of the Corporation, such as the opening of a Corporate Bank Account (*Letter of Resolution Bank Accounts*)
- 3. After the meeting is completed, minutes of the meeting should be created (*Minutes of Organizational Meeting*).

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