

# Readings and video about dynamic governance, aka sociocracy

## Links to written pieces

A couple of short Introductory written pieces

1. Sociocracy: A Permaculture Approach to Community Evolution.  
From *Communities* magazine, an article about Lost Valley, a permaculture intentional community, They also made a short video. See video page  
<http://communities.ic.org/articles/1504/Sociocracy>
2. Sociocracy and Consent, An interview with Sharon Villines, from an article in Cohousing magazine, in Cohousing.org Date unknown but apparently about 2007.  
<http://www.cohousing.org/cm/article/sociocracy>  
Sharon lives in Takoma Village Cohousing in Washington DC, and is co-author with John Buck of *We the People: Consenting to a Deeper Democracy*, a book introducing Sociocracy to the US. This book had not yet been published at the time of the interview with Sharon.  
John, along with Diana, was one of our three presenters at the January 2012 Sociocracy workshop.

Getting a bit deeper into it

3. Introduction to Sociocracy. A 4-page overview by Diana Leafe Christian, who was our speaker at the February 2013 workshop, and was also one of our 2012 presenters.  
<http://www.cohousing.keller.com/dg/DianaLeafeChristianOverview-Sociocracy.pdf>
4. Sociocracy in wikipedia:  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sociocracy>
5. Dynamic Governance Cheat Sheet. A quick outline of the (s)election process, circle meetings, operational meetings, proposal forming process, and consent decision making. We use this sheet and the process it describes at our meetings  
<http://www.usgbcnm.org/resources/Documents/DG%20Cheat%20Sheet%2005%2009%5B1%5D.pdf>

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## Links to videos

A short introductory video, from the same community who wrote the first piece in the links to written pieces.

1. Short video: Made by Lost Valley, a permaculture intentional community, when they were beginning to adapt their governance to sociocracy. Sees how sociocracy is a permaculture approach to self-governance

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hyw0gBsDeho>

This video is made by folks who are self-admittedly "sociocracy beginners" and that makes them good at introducing it to other beginners.

A couple of series of youtube videos, explaining in a bit more depths.

2. Five youtube videos of Diana Leafe Christian speaking at Pioneer Valley in February 2013, a few days after she spoke at our February 2-3 2013 workshop.
  1. Pioneer Valley Governance part1  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j73zvbiwk3w>
  2. Pioneer Valley Governance part2  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHXkg4Rld20>
  3. Pioneer Valley Governance part3  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iBFqZqY30Xg>
  4. Pioneer Valley Governance Part4  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uF-CRc-InOY>
  5. The following video, part 5, different camera  
Pioneer Valley Governance part5  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=24mJvip894>
3. Six introductory videos by Ted Millich, uploaded in November 2012. If you already have a bit of background, you might want to jump straight to #3.
  1. Beyond Democracy 1: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQpebvIX71A>
  2. Beyond Democracy 2: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-f0jzAEcOvY>
  3. Beyond Democracy 3: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GnOCLsKn\\_9U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GnOCLsKn_9U)
  4. Beyond Democracy 4: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GnOCLsKn\\_9U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GnOCLsKn_9U)
  5. Beyond Democracy 5: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWI\\_ai6ptmo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWI_ai6ptmo)
  6. Beyond Democracy 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKweWdueABY>