Board of Education "Team of 10" Retreat

Neptune City School District Woodrow Wilson School Dr. Raymond J. Boccuti Chief School Administrator, Principal September 29, 2020

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Plan for the evening

- Agenda Moving the school district forward!
 - Ethics training Mrs. Winecoff
 - Defining the collaborating roles of governance and management Dr. Boccuti
 - BOE President perspective Mr. Susino
 - Select leadership research Dr. Boccuti
 - School District goals, BOE goals, CSA goals Board, Dr. Boccuti, Mrs. Winecoff
- "Rules" to complete everything planned and stay on our timeline:
 - I will serve as gatekeeper of time and taskmaster so please expect some discussions to be brought to a close.
 - I am always available to you to continue on a one to one discussion but tonight must be team, and time limited, discussion.
 - I do have gifts for you to take home at the end of the evening!

Brief introduction

- What is the purpose of a Board professional development retreat?
 - Work in a setting of nondeliberation to improve our working skills as a collaborative team.
 - Take some time to set the stage for creating governance/management vision to move the school district forward (e.g. pursuing future dreams and goals, etc.).
- Who is your Chief School Administrator?



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Roles clarification

- Everything based on trust and communication:
 - Board Governance
 - Superintendent Management
- Focus:
 - Board End results
 - Superintendent Means
- Questions to be addressed:
 - Board What? Why? How much? How well?
 - Superintendent How? When? Where? By whom?

Roles clarification (continued)

- Tools:
 - Board Mission, goals, policies, assurances, standards
 - Superintendent Strategies, procedures, regulations, assignments, documentation
- Methods:
 - Board Votes
 - Superintendent Recommends

* This collaboration leads to success!



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School District Leadership

- Your management team!
- Administrative Team:
 - Chief School Administrator, Principal
 - Interim School Business Administrator, Board Secretary
 - Supervisor of Student Services
 - Technology Coordinator
 - Weekly administrative team meeting
- Office Team:
 - Confidential secretaries
 - Lead custodian
 - Weekly office team meeting
- Individual meetings with CSA as needed

School District Leadership

- I am adding a regular monthly meeting for:
 - NJEA liaison leadership
 - Beyond monthly faculty meetings
- I plan to attend all Boosters meetings and endeavors
- I plan to attend all community endeavors
- I plan to attend all student activities and endeavors
- Beyond formal meetings Open door policy!

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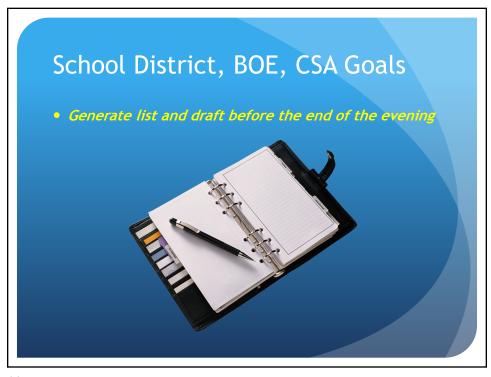
(Anthony Susino/BOE President)

- Collaboration:
 - Sharing of information for the benefit of all stakeholders
- Operations:
 - Importance of a high trust environment
- Meeting preparations:
 - Doing "homework" before the meeting
 - Asking questions, seeking clarification, seeking information
- Confidentiality:
 - Executive session discussions
 - BOE deliberation on confidential matters

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Select Leadership Research Perspectives of Stephen Covey Perspectives of Patrick Lencioni

The 7 Habits - Stephen R. Covey

- "Habits are like a cable. We weave a strand of it everyday and soon it cannot be broken."
 - Horace Mann
- A habit is the intersection of:
 - Knowledge
 - Skill
 - Desire
- Maturity continuum:
 - Dependence → Independence → Interdependence

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The 7 Habits - Stephen R. Covey

- The 7 Habits Paradigm:
 - Private victory:
 - 1. Be proactive
 - 2. Begin with the end in mind
 - 3. Put first things first
 - Public victory:
 - 4. Think win/win
 - 5. Seek first to understand, then to be understood
 - 6. Synergize
 - 7. Sharpen the saw

The 7 Habits - Stephen R. Covey

- List your 7 life roles, no more than 7, no less than 7.
- Place them in your priority order of importance.
- Dr. Boccuti's 7 life roles in his priority order of importance:
 - 1. Husband
 - 2. Father/Grandfather
 - 3. Son/Brother
 - 4. Relative/Friend
 - 5. Musician
 - 6. Teacher
 - 7. Chief School Administrator/Principal

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The 7 Habits - Stephen R. Covey

- Which life role of the seven consumes most of your time?
- Lesson in reference to being a highly effective person?
- Carefully plan once each week to personally address each life role, in some significant capacity, every week.

The 5 Dysfunctions of a Team Patrick Lencioni

Dysfunction 1. Absence of trust

Dysfunction 2. Fear of conflict

Dysfunction 3. Lack of commitment

Dysfunction 4. Avoidance of accountability

Dysfunction 5. Inattention to results

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Retreat wrap up

- Next steps...
- Gifts, thank you, and have a great week!
 - Future BOE retreats
 - Inclusion of staff at Board of Education public meetings for educational presentations
 - Move on to 2020-2021 goal setting...

