Session 3 – Day 2 Leadership: Understating Your Culture, Selling, Understanding Others and Yourself

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Session 3 -

- Understanding organizational culture
- Selling
- Relating to others and understanding yourself

Leader as Culture Manager

Visionary Supportive Innovator Initiating Culture Structure Manager

• "... The only thing of importance that leaders do is to create and manage culture. . . If one wishes to distinguish leadership from management . . . leaders create and change cultures while managers and administrators live within them."

Leaders Understand the Culture

- Know who reports to you
- Know who you report to
- Know your "customers"



Do More Than Shake Hands

- What do they know?
- What can they do?
- What direction do they want the organization to take?

What is Organizational Culture?

"the way we do things"

(Deal and Kennedy)



Basics About Culture

Culture provides meaning, security, and predictability: a source of strength and a conservative force



Keys to Organizational Culture

Consistency
Clear Mission
Adaptability
Involvement

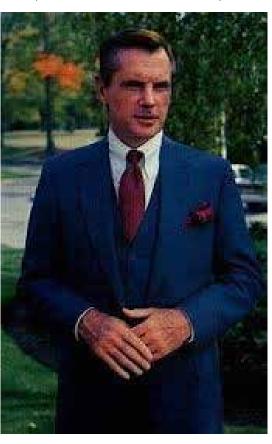
Assessing Organizational Culture

Artifacts: Manifest, Conscious, Hard to Decipher

- Symbols
- Physical environment
- Patterns of dress
- Patterns of communication
- Stories, myths, charters
- Rituals
- Levels of emotionality



IBM (Watson Culture)



Apple (Jobs Culture)



Assessing Your Organizational Culture

Artifacts

Think about the artifacts one sees, hears, notices in your Library.

Assessing Organizational Culture

Values—underlying beliefs!

Assessing Organizational Culture

Values:

Partly conscious; espoused, but violated; explain artifacts

Mission statements
Espoused goals
Preferred means of achieving goals
Answer "why"





Pattern of Beliefs/Shared Assumptions

- Reality and truth
- Time
- Space
- Human nature
- Human activity and relations



How Do Members Learn the Culture?

- "Handbooks"
- Making mistakes/rewards and punishments
- Stories, myths
- Formal and informal practices
- Symbols

How Do You Change Culture?

- Change artifacts
- Confront value gaps
- Reward desired behaviors
- •Replace old rituals with new ones
- Model the new culture
- •Reformulate the groups
- •Bring in outsiders
- Redesign jobs
- Change formal rewards

Easy, Less Impact

Hard, Impactful

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