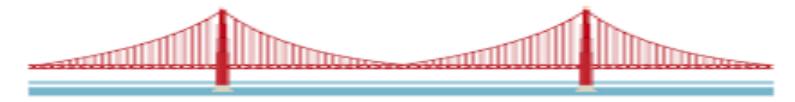
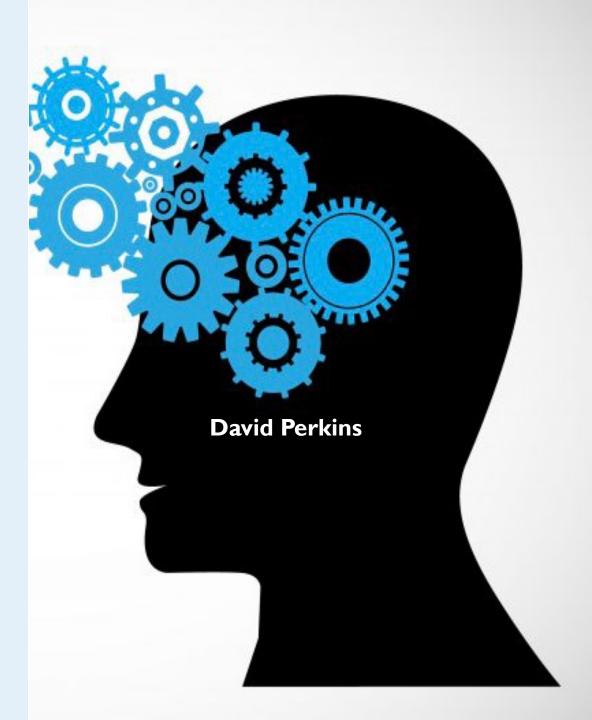


Welcome to the annual AAIE Conversation



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"Organizations *are* conversations"



So... let's get some conversations going... ... in the words of the late, great Bob Marley....GET **UP! STAND UP!**

!!! STARTLING STATEMENTS !!!

Music PLAYS, we MOVE.

Music **STOPS**, we **PAIR** up...say **HELLO** ③

Read the **STARTLING STATEMENT**.

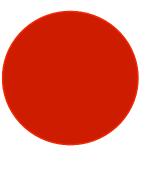
DISCUSS for **ONE MINUTE** ... agree, disagree...**NO CHEATING** !!



The Common Ground Collaborative

We're all in The Learning Business, so we'd all better understand the Learning and the **Business**.





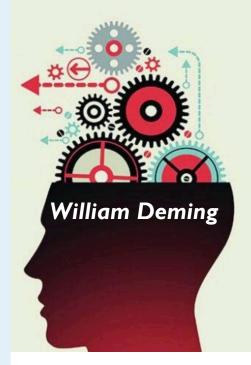
"When good

people

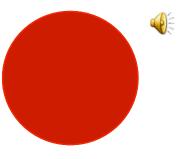
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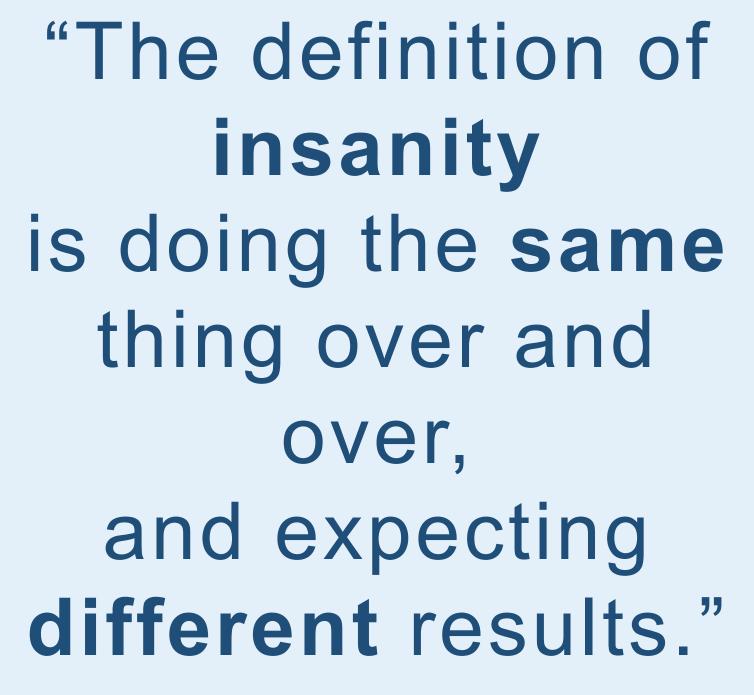
it's usually

the system"





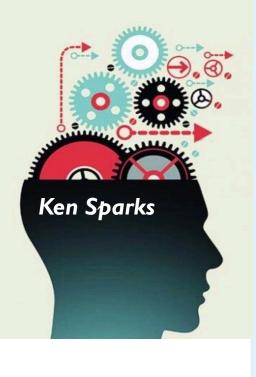




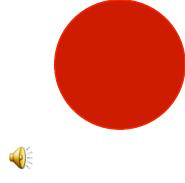




Albert Einstein

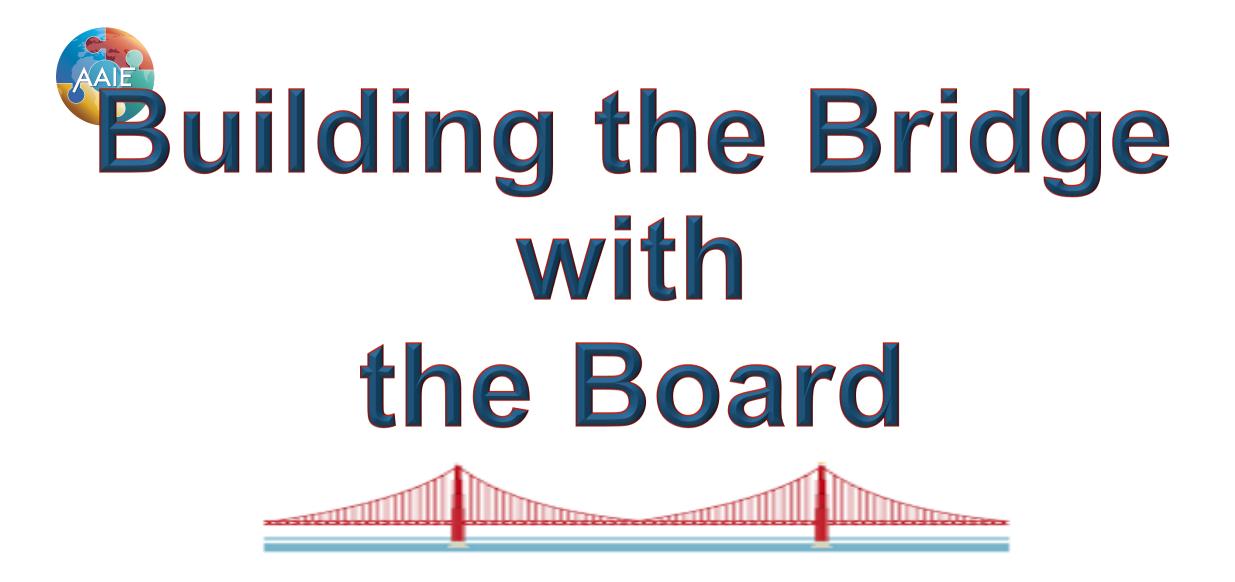


"Have a clear, simple purpose that gives rise to complex, intelligent behaviors, not complicated rules and regulations that give rise to stupid, simplistic behaviors."





So we've started a conversation...but what's this conversation about?



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... because you said that

(despite all the training in the

world) this relationship is still

the NUMBER ONE

CHALLENGE.

WHY?

Simon Sinek

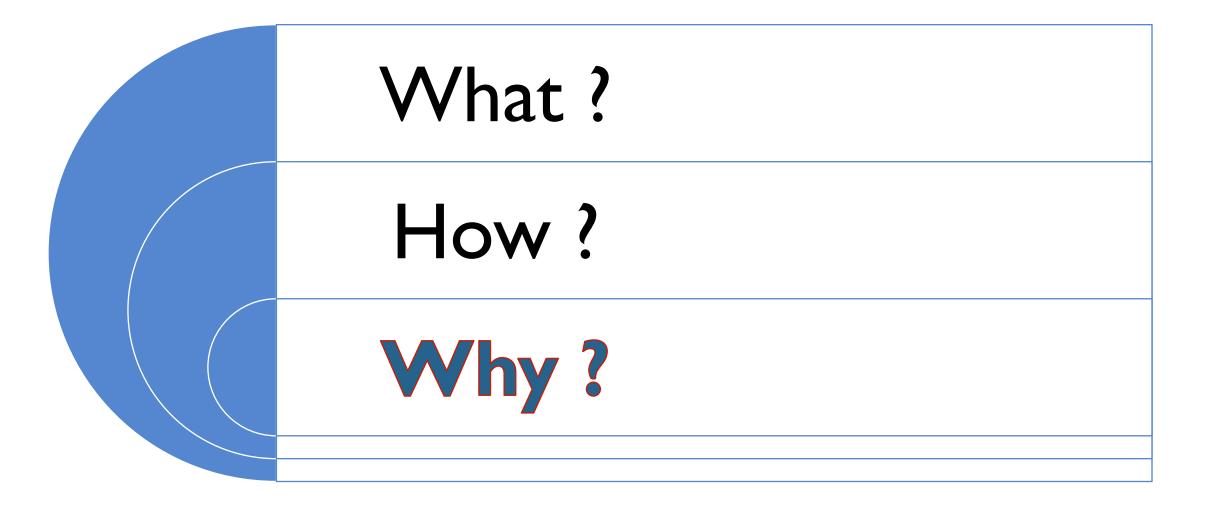
If we're starting with the wrong questions, if we don't understand the cause, then even the right answers will always steer us wrong ... eventually.

The Wrong Question ...

How do we **train** the Board to follow **our rules**?

The 5-Minute Board Retreat

Starting from Why?



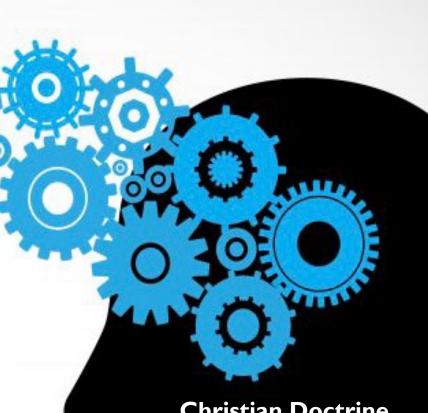
The Right Question ...

How do we collaborate with our Board to co-create shared principles ... so that our practices are rooted in shared truths that we actually understand ?

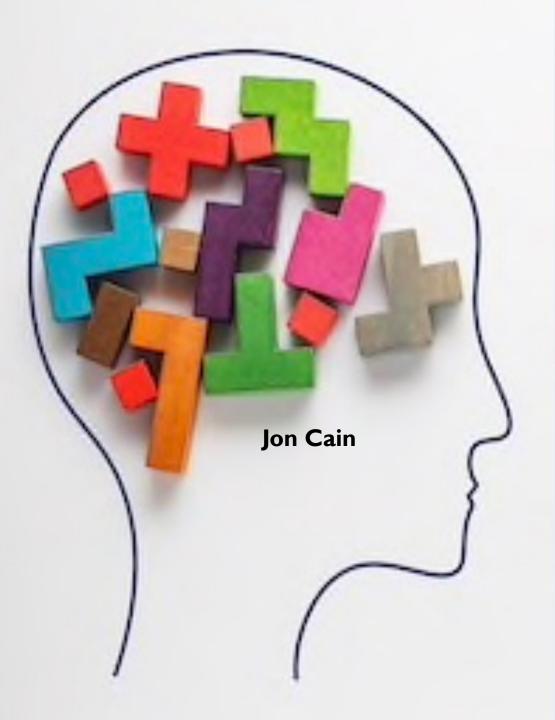
Margaret Wheatley

"We share in common with all things the search for **freedom** and **simplicity**. We find those things not in multiple rules and regulations, but in a few simple formulae or principles that repeat upon themselves, and within which we have personal freedom."

"A principle is a shared truth that brings order to a system."



Christian Doctrine



"I never mind breaking a rule, but I'd feel very bad breaking a principle."

Back to WHY? By beginning with shared principles we deemphasize our differences and build common ground with our **Board**.

SHIFT HAPPENS... ... we still have our own whats and hows but now they are guided our shared whys ...

Board Practices

SHARED PRINCIPLES

Leader Practices

Yes, and...which Principles? The Learning Principle The **Relationship** Principle The **Inquiry** Principle The **Diversity** Principle The Pattern Principle

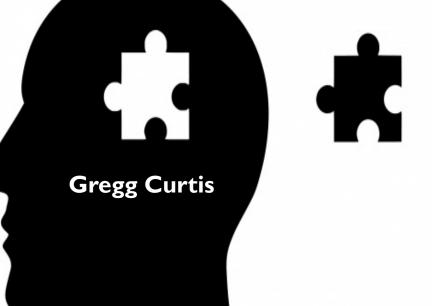
We're a large group with a small amount of time. With that in mind, let's unpack the most important Principle...

THE LEARNING PRINCIPLE

We understand that:

Our primary responsibility is to ensure optimal learning impact for all learning stakeholders at our school.

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So, as we translate...

The LEARNING Principle

into practice...

As a Board, we:

As a Leader, I:

Make our key plans/decisions based on the greatest positive learning impact for the most students.

Hire a leader who 'gets' learning... and support her as she creates the Learning Ecosystem.

Orientate new Trustees into our Board Culture of shared Principles. Create a connected Learning Ecosystem e.g. Define, Design, Deliver, Demonstrate Learning.

Create self-directed professional learning systems focused on learning impact.

Cultivate a sustainable **system** for building **learning leaders**.

So WHAT...with STRANGERS...?

Please STAND UP and form a STRANGER TRIO

Here's our Conversation Starter...

When the **Board** and **Leader** focus on a shared Learning **Principle...with highest** learning impact as our lens...what might we see happening with the Board/ Leader relationship, that's not happening now ?

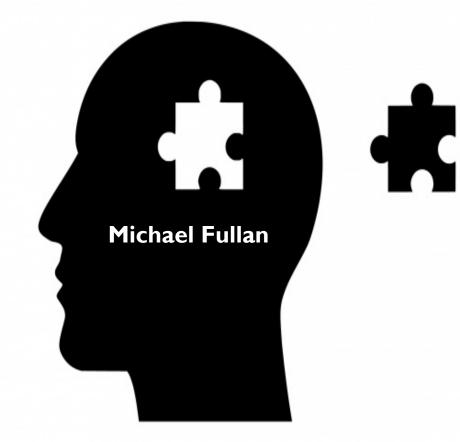
Any shareable shifts?

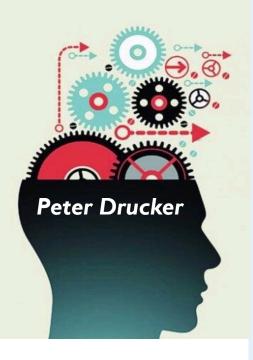
As we transition into...

Governing and Leading on Principle...

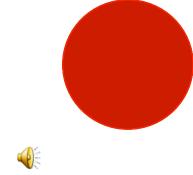
...shift happens.

"Change is reculturing."





"Culture eats strategy for breakfast."





So our Governance and Leadership culture is steadily transforming ... we are building a shared culture...and building the 'Golden Gate' bridge...





In every AAIE Conversation session you attend Today, try this question:

What would be the specific learning impact on my students/organization...and would it warrant the energy investment? When we meet later, together we'll unpack our 'Learning To Go' sacks...we'll ask you to share the 'highest learning impact' idea you gathered today...and WMYST? ... see you again at 16:35