Leadership from the Registrar's Office

Making Things Happen for You, Instead of Letting Things Happen to You!

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• • What this session will not do!

 It is not a how-to. Do not take notes so that you can report back to your boss

It is not a motivational speech

 It will not be an esoteric dissertation on the vagaries of leadership qualities

• • What the session will do.

 It will allow us to discuss some key elements of leading that will help you in your position

• • Our Role as Registrar

- What do you at work every day?
- What is expected of your operation from the college or university?
- What skills do you employ to accomplish your responsibilities?
- Is "leading" critical for your situation?

• • The Importance of Leadership

- Strengthens the resolve of your staff
- Garners support for your operation from other departments and programs
- Extends the goals of the entire organization
- Increases your personal satisfaction with work

• • What makes a Leader?

o Ideas

Influence

Listening

Understanding

Understanding our Work Environment

o How do things work on your campus or in your system?

Formal and informal power

Organization size and scope

• • Building Relationships

- O Do I need to manage my relationships?
- o How do I develop a rapport with people with divergent interests?
- Professional vs. Personal relationships

Developing Vision (Proactive Planning)

Getting an idea

Identifying key players

Influencing decisions

Implementing plans

Projecting Confidence Up and Down the Hierarchy

This is great I'm an important part of what happens here!

 This sucks because I was told this is the way it is.

• • Specific Applications

How to put leadership to work

More wisdom... or just some pop psychology

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