GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP - A CONVENTIONAL VIEW

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Governance

- Definition –
- Various Levels of Governances personal level, family, communities, corporate level.
- Who owns the Institution, Family, Community?
- Is the Bank a social institution?
- Is a profit the only point?

Leadership

Definition

How it relates to Governance

According to Law & Standard

Economic Theories - governance

- Agency theory
- The Stewardship theory
- The Trustee theory
- Stakeholder theory

Corporate governance

 Became necessary when there was a separation of ownership and control

 Most theories fail to take into account culture, politics or interpersonal relationships

The Basis of Governance in Fiji

 The contract between the managers and the owners

The contract between government and the governed

 Transparency, Procedure, Equality, and Respect

The relationship between government and statutory bodies

When must we implement government policy?

When do we have a discretion?

(NBF, The Agriculture Scam)

Corruption

What is corruption? Does it include nepotism?
Favouritism? The old boys/girls network?

What are the first signs of corruption?

 How do we protect the Bank from corruption and fraud?

How does Culture fit in ...

Corruption - Defined

- Definition of public official, benefit and contractor for a government contract
- Bribery
- The burden of proof

Is Custom/Tradition a defence?

Disclosure

- What must be disclosed? To whom? By whom?
- The ethics of disclosure
- Audits and financial reports
- Disclosing personal and cultural relationships
- What are the rules on disclosing conflicts of interest..

Why Monitor if we trust?

Because we create an environment of institutional trust

 Because surveillance monitoring and control allows us to trust at a distance

Because trust is earned and developed...

 Because trust is calculated and dependent on reputations (Japan)

Corporate Governance and Good Governance

- The relationship between government and the governed
- Equality
- The unequal treatment of unequal's
- Affirmative action and the disadvantaged
- Government policy and the civil service
- The independence of the Bank...
- Is the Minister always right? (The Agriculture Scam)

Governance in Government-owned Entities

- Fraud under the Crimes Decree
- Tender Processes and Accountability
- Abuse of Office What is it? The Government Supplies case, the Housing Authority fraud, the National Bank and the Agriculture Scam.

 "An unreasonable act, a despotic act, an act guided not by rules and regulations but by the whims and fancies of the officer"

Shareholders, Banks, Employees, and Management

- What must the roles of each be?
- What should the relationships be?
- What is required of Management?
- What are the rights of the shareholders?
- What are the mechanisms of internal control?
- Is there integrity?
- What is the role of government on the Boards?
- Now Needs To be Specified

Whistle Blowing and Grievance Procedures

Fraud, corruption, nepotism, inequality, sexual harassment

- How does the victim report?
- How do you blow the whistle on management misconduct?

A Whistle - Blowing Procedure

- May be anonymous
- Must be to two or three possible officers
- Must be investigated
- The results of investigations should be reported to the Council
- There must be a guarantee of no victimisation
- The perpetrator must be disciplined if found guilty

Gender Culture and Merit

- Who is the best person for the job or for promotion?
- What is the purpose of affirmative action? Is it consistent with equality of opportunity?
- Racism and Sexism
- Historical Disadvantage and the Creamy Layer
- What does merit mean?

The Crimes Decree

 The Law and what it means for your Institution

Recognising and Managing Risk

The Crimes Decree

 Corporate bodies can be prosecuted for any offence under the Crimes Decree

 A company is said to authorise unlawful activity unless it has in place a corporate governance culture

Corporate Culture

 Did a corporate culture exist within the body corporate to direct, encourage, tolerate or lead to non-compliance?

 Did the company fail to create and maintain a corporate culture that required compliance with the relevant provision?

Section 53(6)

• Corporate culture means an attitude, policy, rule, course of conduct, or practice existing within the body corporate generally or within the part relevant to the offending..

Offences

- Fraud
- Theft
- Cyber crime
- Money laundering
- Financial Transactions Reporting Act
- Sexual offences and sexual harassment
- Corruption

Following the Rules

- What are they?
- Do they incorporate the law on corruption, fraud and sexual misconduct?
- Have we trained all officers on the rules?
- Is the Board and its management walking the Talk?
- Is there a Code of Conduct and does it bind the Board and management?
- Are there sanctions for breaking the rules? Are they consistently applied?
- Is there equality in the workplace?

Following the Rules

- Gender Equality and Sexual Harassment in the Workplace
- The Employment Relations Promulgation and unfair discrimination
- Your sexual harassment policy does it incorporate the Crimes Decree offences?
- Are you covered for obscene emails?
- What are the sanctions for breach?
- Whistle Blowers?

Following the Rules

 What is the criteria for appointment and promotion?

 Is there unfair discrimination in the rules? In the implementation of the rules?

- How do we create an equal work place?
- Are we legally compliant?

Globalisation

Standardisation

International Practices

Impact on the Way Of Life

 How do we relate to our associates, family, community?

How do we reciprocate for good deeds?

Gift Exchange ?

Action in Good Faith?

Offenses Committed

Corporate / Board level ?

Leadership or Management level ?

Floor Level

Frequency and trend.

Change Direction of Leadership

Limitation to Leadership freedom

 Affected ability to Exercise and Uncover Potential

No more in Good Faith.

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