Transforming the Workplace Through Intentionality

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Today’s Topics of Discussion

• What Is Diversity, Inclusion & Equity

• DI&E as a Growth Strategy

• The Intersection of Diversity, Inclusion and Equity – “The How”

• Measuring Impact
What is Diversity & Inclusion

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<td>• About People</td>
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<td>• Implies multiplicity of perspectives and ways of doing things informed by diverse histories, cultures and experiences that people bring to your business</td>
<td>• Makes diversity work, and leverages the resources it brings</td>
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<td>• Challenges individuals to manage complexity</td>
<td>• Facilitates employee engagement</td>
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Equity
The time is always right to do what is right.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.
Diversity is the Goal, Inclusion is the Strategy
The Intersection – “The How”
Recruitment & Retention

• A diverse workforce drives economic growth.

• Recruiting from a diverse pool of candidates means a more qualified workforce.

• A diverse and inclusive workforce helps businesses avoid employee turnover costs. Businesses that fail to foster inclusive workplaces see higher turnover rates.

• Diversity fosters a more engaged, creative and innovative workforce.
Exercise: How Am I Doing?

• Answer The Series of Questions

• Pair & Share
Exercise: How Am I Doing?

• I focus on Inclusion & Retention prior recruiting diverse candidates?

• I review my job descriptions regularly to make sure they are up to date?

• What outlets am I using to source candidates?

• How am I screening out candidates?

• I use a consistent interviewing technique, set of questions and conduct interview training (if applicable)?
Debrief?

• Any Surprises or “Ah Ha” Moments?
• Key Takeaways
Board/Advisory Structure

• What is your Boards/Advisory role?
• Who makes up your Board?
• Selection Criteria?
• Any Training/Onboarding?
• Any interaction with your staff?
Culture & Belonging

• Culture is the character and personality of your organization. It's what makes your organization unique and is the sum of its values, traditions, beliefs, interactions, behaviors, and attitudes.

“Culture Eats Strategy for Breakfast” – Peter Drucker
The 6 Aspects of Culture

1. **Purpose** means connecting employees to your organization’s reason for being or the difference you make in the world.

2. **Opportunity** means providing employees the ability to learn new skills, develop, and contribute.

3. **Success** means giving employees the opportunity to innovate, do meaningful work, and be on winning teams.

4. **Appreciation** means acknowledging and recognizing employees’ outstanding work and unique contributions.

5. **Well-being** means paying attention to and constantly working to improve employees’ physical, social, emotional, and financial health.

6. **Leadership** means connecting employees to purpose, empowering them to do great work, and creating a sense of camaraderie.

https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/6-essential-aspects-of-workplace-culture_us
Exercise: What Would You Do?

Elisa has a coworker, Sally, who likes to talk about politics. Elisa does not care that much about politics but finds her coworkers’ political views to be little extreme. Elisa likes her coworker and wants to get along with her. Elisa has thought of just pretending to agree with Sally or telling Sally she would rather talk about other subjects. Elisa suspects that Sally will be insulted if she goes with the second option. What should Elisa do?
Debrief
Measuring Impact

• Focus on outcomes not just inputs

• Measurement becomes difficult if you think about it after the fact

• Plan to monitor along the way

• Does your business have a “thriving” or “diving” culture
“Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts.” – Winston Churchill
Any Questions