





# THE PERSON IN THE MIDDLE: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PRINCIPAL, THE DEPARTMENT AND THE SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

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- In schools the teacher (principal) quality matters the most.
  Dan Goldhaber
- Why not the best schools?
  Brian Coldwell and Jessica Harris
- Coleman Report
- McKinsey







- SASA: Article 16/20/21
- PAM: Personnel Administrative Measures: Chapters A and H
- Educators' Employment Act: Chapter 2; Article 6





- Managerial functions
- Financial management
- Procurement and tender procedures
- Admissions
- Personnel









- Good governance vs execution
- Board of directors (Parent Governing Body) vs the CEO (principal)
  - "Delegatus delegare non potest"
  - Accountability and communication





#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**



- King IV and corporate governance
  - Six forms of 'capital'
  - 16 (17) Principles
  - Continued Professional Development





# PRINCIPLES UNDER PRESSURE



- SAOU vs Hoërskool Silverton
- Article 20
- Grey College
- Hoërskool Overvaal: Article 21





### DEPARTMENTAL PRESSURE



- Finances
- Policy
- Career safety and maintenance: Article 21
- Grade R and RR
- Basic Conditions of Employment vs PAM





# NEW CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS



Departmental support

Principal's position

School Governing Body: responsibilities





# GENERAL GUIDELINES AND HINTS

- 'Set the rules whilst you are still undefeated."
- Know the law.
- Know your rights.
- 'Drink tea'
- Rely on your trade union.









