

BOARD PRESIDENT RETREAT

A short pictorial
biography...



















The Importance of Leading a School Board

- ▣ Locally elected **entrusted** with governing a school
 - Citizen oversight is cornerstone of democracy
 - Over 100,000 school board members nationwide

Lead, Follow, or Get out of the Way

What boards can do:

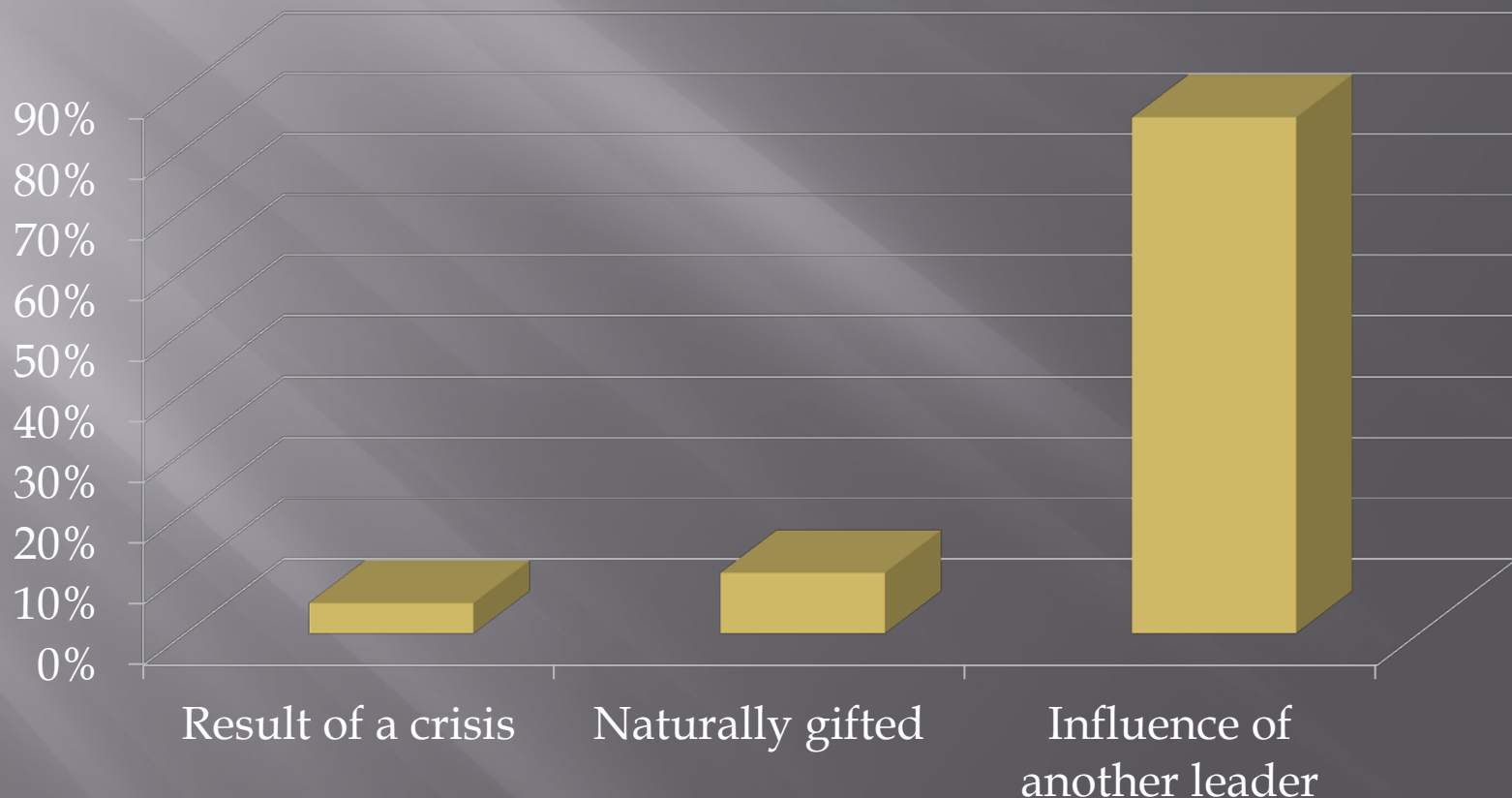
- ▣ Lead – monitor district outcomes
- ▣ Follow – adhere to community values
- ▣ Get out of the way – avoid creating competing priorities!

Let's Talk Leadership

- ▣ What was your reason for running for school board?
- ▣ What characteristic do you think identified you as the “leader”?
(President)

How do people become leaders?

Leadership development

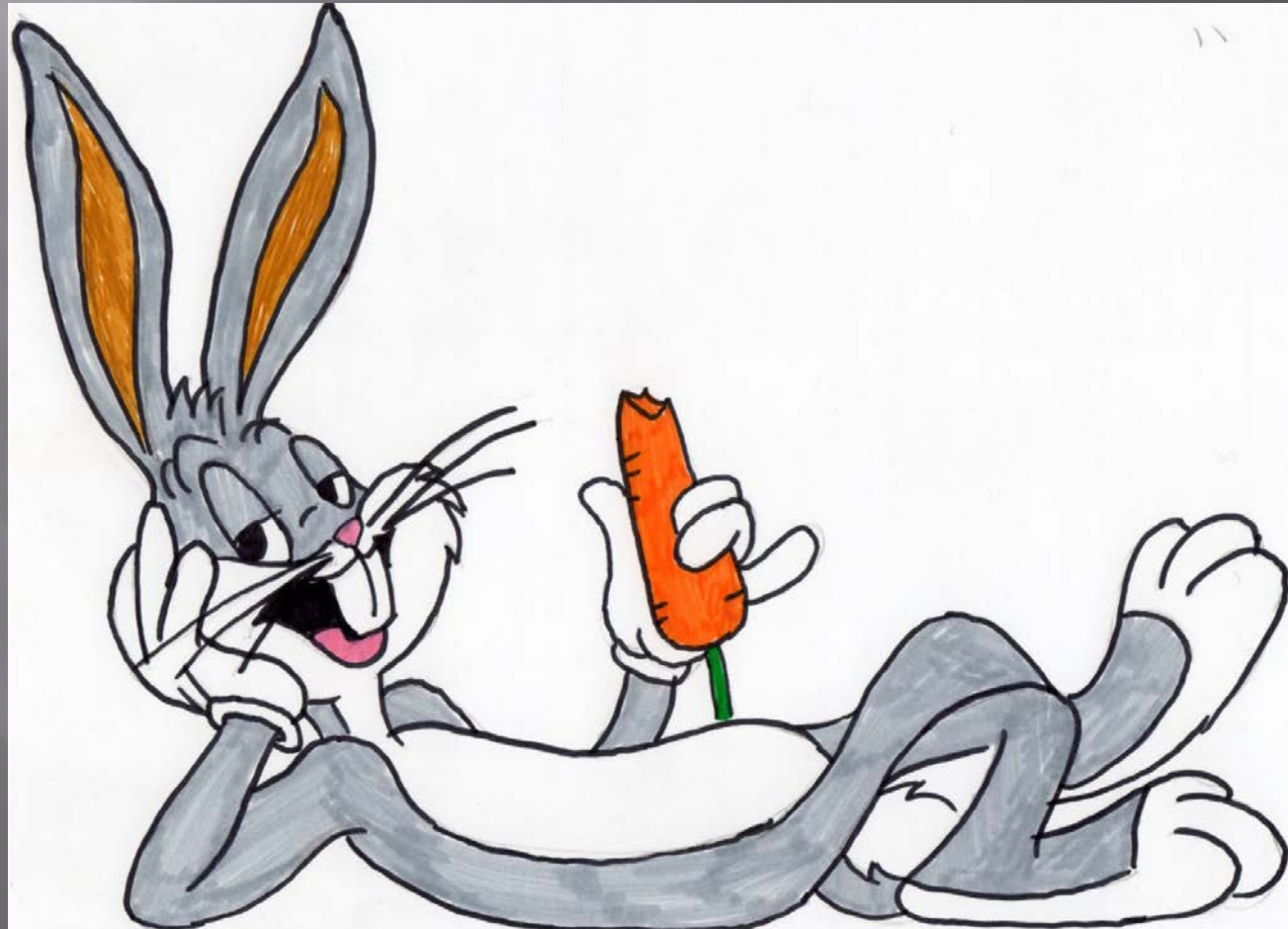


Leadership Defined

- ▣ Leadership has been defined as a process through which a person influences and motivates others to get involved in accomplishment of a particular task.

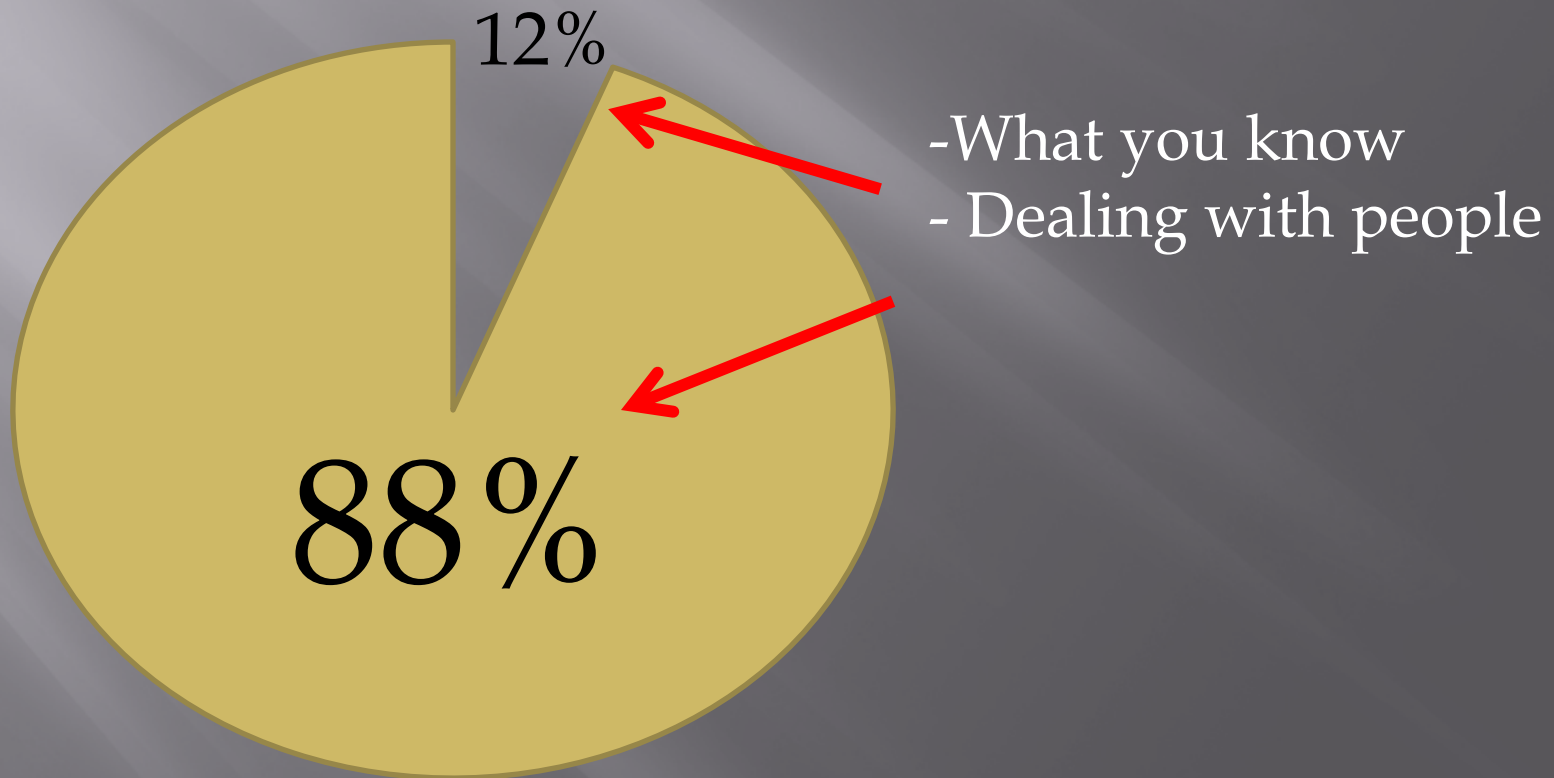
Model Leadership

- ▣ Bugs Bunny



Effective Leadership Traits

- ▣ What makes a leader successful?
 - Stanford Research Institute Study



Dealing with People

“I suppose leadership at one time meant muscles; but today it means getting along with people.”

Indira Gandhi

Build Trust

People can't trust you if they don't know you

- ▣ We have moved from trusting in power to the power of trust
- ▣ *"You cannot be an effective leader without trust. Leadership without mutual trust is a contradiction in terms."*
 - Steven Covey

Set Priorities

Leaders understand that activity is not necessarily accomplishment

▣ The 3 R's

- What is required?
- What gives the greatest return?
- What brings the greatest reward?

Set and Stay the Course

- ▣ No shortcuts in leadership
 - Good decisions = deposits
 - Bad decisions = withdrawals
 - Out of change = out as a leader

FIND YOUR COURAGE

