

Unleashing the Power: Finding Inspiration in Administration

Group Services Managers



Introduction





Faculty of Arts Sushila Pinto

'One Team' model





Challenges faced

- > Loss of staff; team instability
- > Changed organisational structure
- > Inconsistent service levels
- > Inconsistent practices
- > Clunky processes
- > Uneven workloads



Some steps in the right direction

- > Team values and behaviours
- > Principles and aims clear
- > Communities of interest
- > Digitised processes
- >> Shared Drive tidy up
- > Shared file naming conventions



'One Team' key features

- > Cohesive team
- > Cross-discipline, cross-school knowledge
- > Agreed service standards
- > Sharing best practice
- Owning processes and driving improvements



Manager



Team Leaders

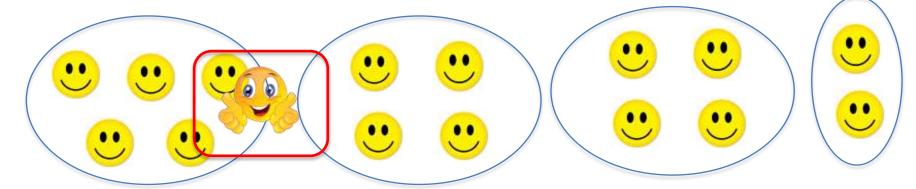








Coordinators and Administrators in four school offices







A visible difference

- > An engaged and empowered team
- > Subject matter experts
- ➤ Easy leave/absence cover
- > Consistent service levels
- > Better visibility of staff
- > Development opportunities
- Improved academic-professional staff trust, confidence and relationships



Ps and Cs

People	Culture
Principles	Commitment
Processes	Cooperation



Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences Bruce Rattray

Managing inequitable workloads





Size does matter in schools









Shared email

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Fw: PO required - Sharifi/Shirin Dr, Departing 27-Jun-19, Booking CO588387 Tomorrow as this is for Thursday flights. Can we have a PO same day tomorrow? Sorry this came very late to f	Tue 25-Jun-19 6:41 PM Irution. Many thanks, Patrice	185 KB	Joei - Completed	1
Re: FOR APPROVAL: Travel request from Fred	Tue 25-Jun-19 4:17 PM	61 KB	Sue -Completed	P
RE: PW: Science staff travel approval form since I am TFC we use the code 6930. (Someone called Louise Brewsterchandles it?): Many thanks. Phil	Tue 25-Jun-19 4:07 PM	44 KB	GSTL - Completed	P
RE: Science staff travel approval form request and should be charged on the school code. Thanks g	Tue 25-Jun-19 3;43 PM	41 KB	Sue -Completed	P
RE: Tentative Orbit Travel Itinerary - Delmas/Patrice Jean Dr. Departing 30-Jun-19, Booking COS88070	Tue 25-Jun-19 3:34 PM	35 KB	Sithra -Completed	P
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Fw: Tentative Orbit Travel itinerary - Delmas/Patrice Jean Dr, Departing 30-Jun-19, Booking CO588070 To for this. Giovanni signed travel approval yesterday.	Tue 25-Jun-19 3:16 PM	156 KB	Sithra -Completed	Þ
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RE: Urgent : Dong Xie and Rong Zhang Reservations a. Walter	Mon 24-Jun-19 12:03 PM	21 KB	Sithra -Completed	P



Equitable Workload Project Outcome

- Workload is shared
- Staff in larger area not overwhelmed
- > Promotes 'team' approach
- > Academics receive a great service
- > Local support remains visible
- Smaller areas feel proud of contribution to the greater good

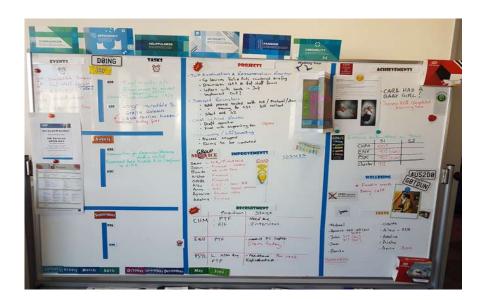






Faculty of Science Michael Groom

The value of stand-up whiteboard meetings





Context

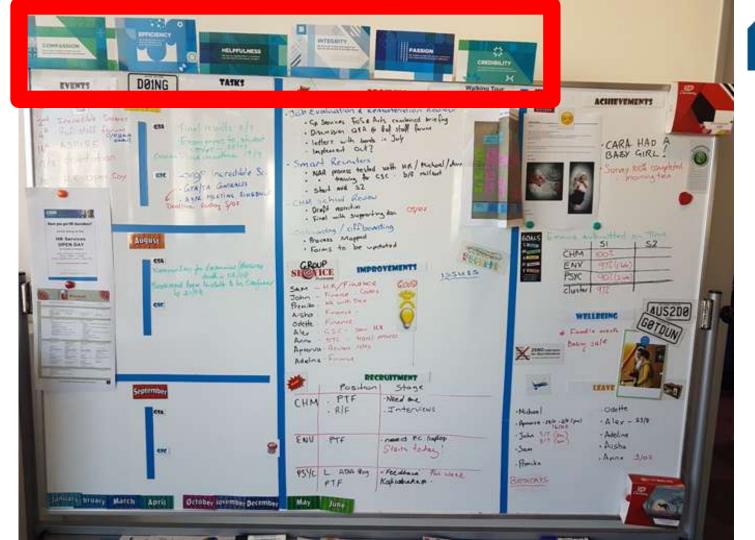
- 3 large schools
- · Remotely located staff
- Varying levels of experience
- Tight timeframe

Risk

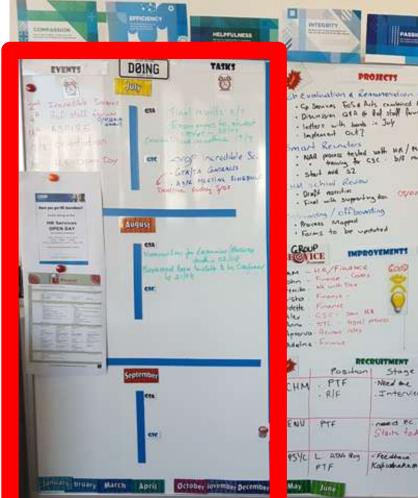
- Reduced cohesion
- Reduced efficiency
- Reduced engagement

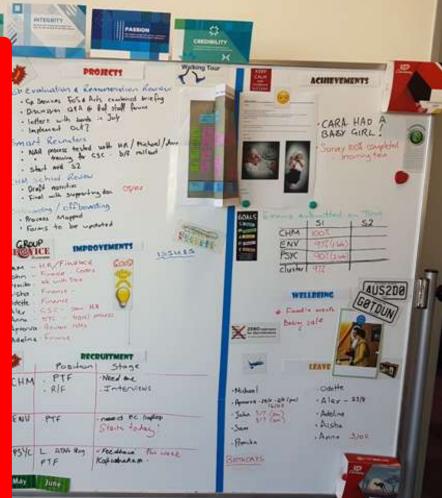
Solution

- Stand-up whiteboard meetings
- An opportunity for a conversation

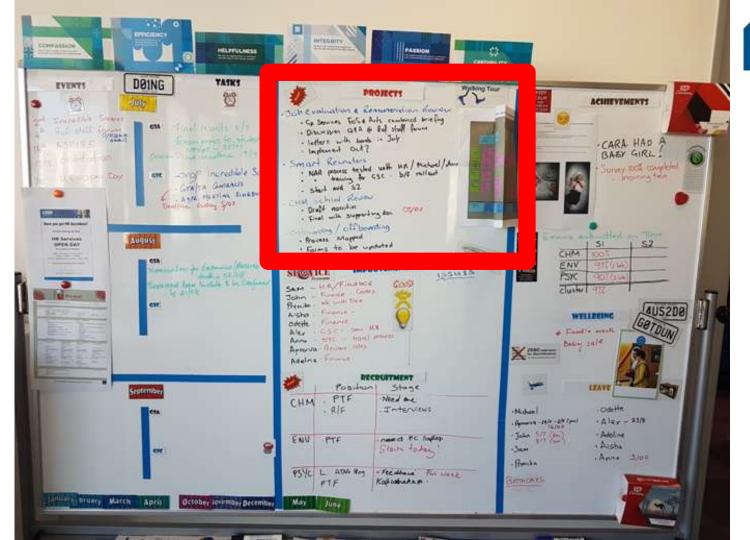




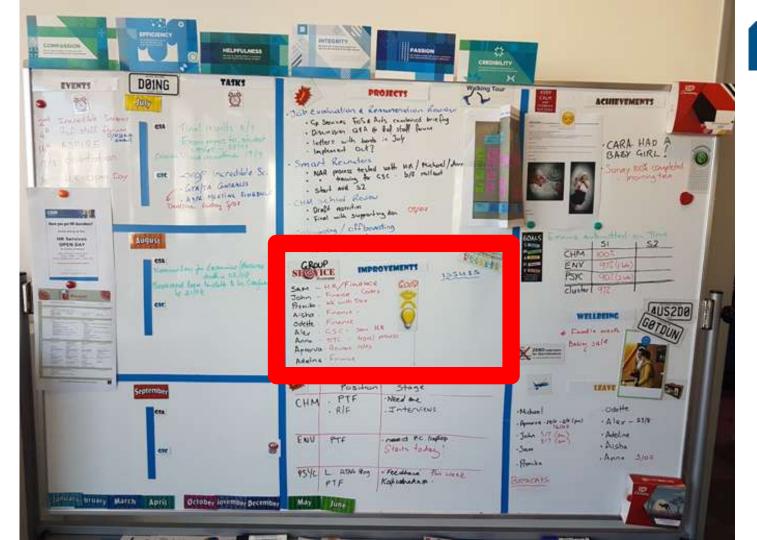








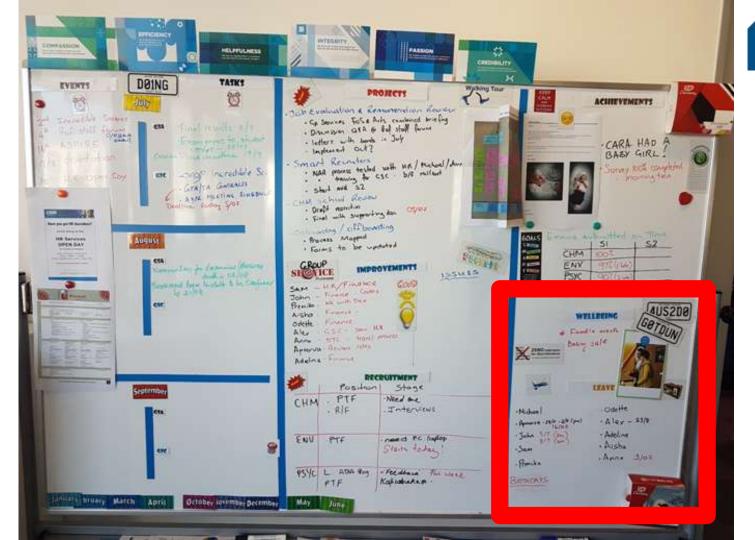








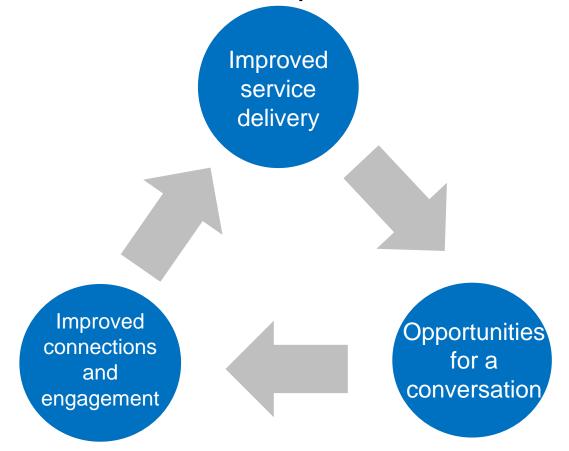








The value of the stand-up whiteboard meeting





Faculty of Engineering Carol Home

Building engagement in team meetings





The Faculty of Engineering teams are:

- Located in departments in 5 pairs (admin/coordinator)
- Spread across 4 campus locations
- Focused on their own department/workload



Full team meetings were:

- Led by me (updates and notices)
- Round table WIP
- Insular
- Time-consuming for those who travelled
- Hard work!











Introducing 'flipped' meetings

- > Agreement:
- Notices by email prior to the meeting
- > Assurance they'd be read before the meeting
- > Come to meetings prepared to participate....
- Did you read this far? say the code-word happy-happy to me for a choc Freddo. You deserve it what a marathon read!

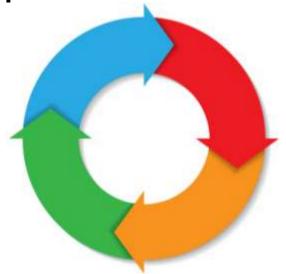






Faculty of Science Julie Davis

Process Improvement Mind-set





The most **dangerous** phrase in the English language is...











Include process improvement initiatives in KPIs









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Wrap up



Any questions?