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The "Art" of Leadership

Pearls of Wisdom from Retired Board Members
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Don't manage staff.

Learn about school budgets and how schools are funded.

Lean times can inspire creativity and achievement.

"Coasting" only takes you in one direction.

Work together as a cooperative group.

Teach *all* children.

Demand full access to appropriate information.

Understand and follow the open meeting law.

Don't take the easy road.

Nepotism is a problem.

Expect construction delays.

Leaders get called back to serve.

Be there for the right reasons.

Differentiate between the vocal minority and the silent majority.

Honor the majority.

Use the resources readily available to you - like the training and services provided by ASBA.

There is no more important statistic than one: one success or one failure.