Teachers' Participation in Strategic Planning and Their Engagement in Implementing Institutional Goals in a Vocational College in Tianjin, China

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Background of the Study:

Strategic planning has become an essential tool for educational institutions to achieve organizational success, especially in the context of rapidly changing educational landscapes. Teachers, being at the forefront of curriculum delivery and classroom management, play a pivotal role in the strategic planning process. Their involvement in this process not only enhances the relevance and feasibility of institutional goals but also fosters a sense of ownership and commitment to achieving them. Research has consistently highlighted the positive correlation between teachers' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in institutional goal implementation (Dela Cruz & Salonga, 2023).

The educational sector has recognized the importance of collaborative planning in achieving institutional objectives. Teachers' participation in strategic planning is viewed as a critical component of shared governance. Studies from this region indicate that when teachers are actively involved in the strategic planning process, they exhibit higher levels of job satisfaction and professional motivation (Nguyen & Phan, 2021). This

collaboration also bridges the gap between administrative priorities and classroom realities, ensuring that institutional goals are practical and aligned with the needs of students and educators.

Similarly, participatory strategic planning has been identified as a key determinant of institutional success. Teachers' engagement in this process fosters a sense of trust and mutual respect between educators and administrators. Research by Müller and Schenk (2022) revealed that schools with participatory decision-making frameworks were more effective in achieving their long-term objectives. Teachers' input was found to be invaluable in tailoring strategic goals to the unique needs of their institutions.

Moreover, strategic planning enhances teachers' understanding of institutional objectives, which subsequently increases their commitment to these goals. Teachers who are well - informed and actively involved in planning are more likely to implement strategies that align with institutional priorities. A study by Goh and Lim (2020) highlighted that teacher participation in planning sessions significantly improved the execution of policies and programs at the school level. This involvement not only strengthened their commitment but also improved overall school performance.

Engagement in strategic planning also impacts teachers' professional growth and development . When teachers participate in goal setting and planning processes, they gain insights into leadership and decision-making, which enhances their professional competencies. Research by Becker and van der Meer (2023) indicated that teachers who were engaged in strategic planning exhibited higher levels of leadership skills and were more effective in implementing innovative practices in their classrooms.

Cultural values emphasizing collaboration and collective responsibility align well with participatory planning approaches. Teachers have reported feeling more empowered when included in decision-making processes (Padilla & Almonte, 2021) This empowerment translates into a proactive attitude toward achieving institutional goals, as teachers feel that their voices are valued and their contributions matter.

Conversely, the absence of teacher participation in strategic planning can lead to disengagement and resistance during the implementation phase. Research by Dupont and Lefèvre (2021) found that schools where teachers were excluded from planning processes experienced significant challenges in executing policies. Teachers were less likely to adopt institutional goals as their own, resulting in inconsistencies in implementation and lower overall effectiveness.

Effective strategic planning also requires addressing potential barriers to teacher participation. These barriers often include a lack of time, insufficient communication, and hierarchical decision -making structures. A study by López and Serrano (2022) emphasized the importance of creating open channels of communication and providing professional development opportunities to encourage teacher involvement. Addressing these barriers ensures that teachers can contribute meaningfully to planning processes.

Teachers' participation in strategic planning also fosters a culture of collaboration within schools. When educators and administrators work together to develop and

implement institutional goals, it strengthens relationships and builds trust. Research by Cheong and Tan (2021) found that collaborative planning sessions improved team dynamics and encouraged knowledge sharing among staff members, which in turn enhanced the effectiveness of institutional strategies.

Furthermore, participatory planning promotes accountability among teachers. Teachers who are involved in setting institutional goals feel a stronger sense of responsibility for achieving them . Müller and Schenk (2022) observed that teachers with participatory frameworks demonstrated higher levels of accountability and were more likely to monitor and evaluate the outcomes of their efforts.

Teachers' engagement in implementing institutional goals is also influenced by the alignment between these goals and their professional values. When strategic objectives resonate with teachers' beliefs and priorities, they are more likely to invest effort in achieving them. A study by Tanaka and Morita (2023) suggested that aligning institutional goals with teachers' professional values enhances their intrinsic motivation and commitment to Implementation.

The success of participatory strategic planning is also linked to effective leadership. School leaders play a crucial role in creating an environment where teachers feel encouraged and supported to contribute to planning processes. Research by Rossi and Bianchi (2023) highlighted the importance of transformational leadership in fostering teacher participation and engagement. Leaders who prioritize collaboration and inclusivity inspire teachers to take an active role in shaping institutional goals.

Teachers' participation in strategic planning also has implications for student outcomes. Studies have shown that schools with higher levels of teacher involvement in planning processes tend to achieve better academic results. Goh and Lim (2020) found that teacher participation in planning was associated with improved student performance, as teachers were better equipped to implement strategies that addressed students' needs effectively.

Teachers' participation in strategic planning is vital for the successful implementation of institutional goals. Research underscores the importance of involving teachers in decision -making processes to enhance their engagement and commitment. By fostering collaboration, addressing barriers, and aligning institutional objectives with teachers' values, schools can create an environment where both educators and students thrive. Further research is needed to explore the long-term impact of participatory planning on educational outcomes and institutional effectiveness.

Strategic Planning in Schools:

When we talk about managing an organization, we're talking about the administrative process. This entails organizing, managing, and overseeing all of the entity's resources. Dourado (2022) asserts that management and administration in education are frequently viewed as either interchangeable or separate ideas. Silva (2024) sees management as a more comprehensive process, but Martins (2024) characterizes administration as a logical process including organization, command, and control. Recognizing the critical role professionals play in making decisions about job execution and advice is part of management. According to Bordignon (2024),

educational management is a political and administrative process that gives managers a framework that allows them to function in a methodical, directed, and useful way.

In order to fulfill the modern expectations for innovation in raising the quality of education and public service, educational managers are being entrusted with upgrading their management practices more and more. In this setting, strategic planning becomes an essential instrument that may be used at all levels of educational administration, from primary school to university. According to Welsch (2021), running an institution involves making choices, putting policies and procedures into place, and inspiring groups of people to accomplish particular objectives. It is required of managers to use market research, statistical data, research-based insights, and prior experiences while developing their organizations (Rezende, 2023).

A emphasis on high-quality education as a way to promote growth and enhance quality of life is required due to society's increased scrutiny of educational institutions and systems. In order to assure successful decision-making, this forces school managers to gain new information, abilities, and attitudes (Baars, 2020). Today's educational administration calls for a wide range of skills in addition to goodwill and honesty. Castro (2020) emphasizes that in order to overcome market obstacles and lessen negative environmental effects, managers must be knowledgeable about administrative procedures, management tools, and educational and technical factors. The organization, mobilization, and coordination of material, human, and technical resources to support socio-educational processes and empower students to thrive in a knowledge-driven, globalized society is another definition of educational management provided by Silva (2024).

Obtaining the credentials required to meet societal demands and provide high-quality education—two essential components in guaranteeing an institution's competitiveness—is one of the biggest obstacles facing educational management. Godoy, Rosa, and Barbosa (2021) stress the significance of creating an ongoing, dynamic, and inclusive planning process in order to satisfy these expectations. This entails resolving any issues, cultivating a strategic culture, and keeping a laser-like focus on the intended results. For school administrators, the COVID-19 outbreak and its aftermath have created new difficulties. According to Araújo, Meneses, and Vasconcelos (2021), these conditions have made it necessary to implement measures to improve education as a whole. This involves creating well-organized strategic strategies to successfully handle these extraordinary obstacles.

According to Silva et al. (2023), strategic planning and the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) provide organizations with a number of benefits, chief among them being the ability for managers and institutions to become more self-aware. By establishing goals, objectives, and strategic activities, these instruments help to steer the institution's course. Such planning gives managers a thorough grasp of the organization, enabling them to review day-to-day operations, make adjustments, and put improvements into place that will increase productivity and effectiveness. According to Silva et al. (2023), strategic planning and the IDP are essential for assisting the administration of Brazil's federal institutions.

According to managers in the study by Castro et al. (2020), strategic planning is an ongoing activity that involves analyzing past performance and external variables to inform and improve strategy. Through committees or workgroups, institutional members are actively involved in this process, which makes it easier to identify possible problems and expected results. Institutions can increase operational efficiency and lessen the impact of outside changes by including strategic planning. This method enables more efficient management by giving firms a greater understanding of their opportunities, threats, weaknesses, and strengths. The strategic initiatives created by private school managers were highlighted in the study by Takahashi, Graeff, and Teixeira (2021). These initiatives included prioritizing life skills and educational quality, increasing visibility, promoting growth, improving integration and communication, organizing curricula, and effectively managing staff. These tactics highlight how crucial it is for educational administration to handle pedagogical, financial, and competitive factors.

Higher education institutions have been adopting strategic planning more and more, according to Rebechi (2022), albeit some have only lately formalized their procedures. But according to his study, a lot of institutions are still not ready to participate completely in the strategic planning process.

According to Estrada (2020), universities frequently have models for implementing strategic planning but are unable to carry them out successfully, mostly because different institutional segments are not involved. Because of this gap, the institution's goal is not widely shared and is frequently only known by a select few top managers and planners. In the case of UFSM, the tactical and operational parts of planning are more completely addressed, even if basic objectives and principles are stated.

According to Silveira (2022), budget and strategic planning are intended to complement each other and support one or more strategic goals. In order to improve alignment and efficacy, efforts are being made to guarantee that institutional practices and legal requirements are more coherent.

Querino and Moraes (2024) distinguished four stages in the process of strategic planning adaptation, emphasizing the important role that management and outside variables play. The strategic adjustments that institutions made in reaction to outside influences were also recorded by the research. Similar to this, Cunha (2021) examined the strategic planning procedures of both public and private universities, highlighting the vital role that planning plays in establishing institutional identity, predicting the future, reducing duplication, and enhancing societal services.

In their study on the use of strategic planning in university administration, Borges and Araújo (2021) discovered that different departments within the organization were given planning duties. These organizations understood the need of planning as a key component of administrative activity. However, because universities are quite different from other kinds of organizations, they also emphasized the necessity of customizing strategic planning techniques to better fit university environments. When used properly, strategic planning is a vital management tool that helps organizations set goals, consider possible solutions, and make well-informed choices to maximize resource use.

Institutional Goals and Systems:

According to Hodgson (2021), institutions are essential to social life and are the "structures that matter most in the social realm: they make up the fabric of social life." Despite this perspective, there is surprisingly little research on how institutions come to be so prominent. Economist Hodgson is notable for his ability to delve deeply into the workings of organizations. His observations are insightful, but they fall short of capturing the complex ways that institutions shape social life.

Institutions are sometimes thought of as equilibria (e.g., beliefs, as addressed by Aoki, 2021) or behavioral regularities (Schotter, 2021). Nonetheless, it is more fruitful for the social sciences to define institutions as systems of established and socially entrenched laws (North, 2020). This method aids in the explanation of the prerequisites for creating equilibria, particularly those necessary for long-term value generation (Hodgson, 2020). According to this definition, institutions are frameworks made up of regulations and systems for enforcing them. North (2020) popularized the idea that these systems frequently use selective incentives and disincentives to control behavior. Hodgson elaborates on this by proposing the idea of habit, which is a tendency to behave in particular ways and also influences expectations, desires, and beliefs (Hodgson, 2023). Although institutionally influenced habits both limit and facilitate conduct, they do not adequately account for institutional functionality.

The establishment of expectations and the development of habits are unquestionably important. Hodgson, however, places too much emphasis on habit, assigning to it results like feelings, goals, and the sense of normative authority. He contends that these factors serve to further reinforce the habits that institutions use to impose compliance. However, the intricacy of institutional power is not well conveyed by this viewpoint.

As Greif (2021) correctly points out, comprehending institutions necessitates historical and contextual information in addition to micro-mechanisms that encourage adherence to rules. This method uses categorization, typification, identities, scripts, and schemas to connect institutions to cognitive habits, drawing on the New Institutional Sociology framework (DiMaggio & Powell, 2021) (Powell & Colyvas, 2023). These cognitive habits affect the definition of actors and circumstances, the focus of attention, and the acceptable behaviors. This nuanced viewpoint draws attention to the ways that institutions have influenced cognitive aspects. It ignores important elements, though, such the way institutions promote cognitive habits, how situational unpredictability affects them, and how human agency interacts with macro-level factors. These discrepancies highlight the necessity of microfoundations that take into account both personal initiative and institutional impact (Lindenberg, 2023).

The goal-oriented aspect of human conduct must also be taken into consideration in an efficient microfoundational framework for institutions. In order to achieve their goals, humans use integrated cognitive and motivational processes that need large working memory capacities and intricate mental representations. Behavior is influenced by these representations when they are active (Förster, Liberman, & Higgins, 2020). This demonstrates how the social environment and cognitive/motivational processes interact, with institutions influencing behavior via influencing goal activation.

In order to comprehend institutional microfoundations, goal - framing is essential (Lindenberg & Steg, 2022; Lindenberg, 2023).

Environmental signals shape the "playing field" for people's conduct by determining the overall goals they prioritize. These broad objectives act as conceptual frameworks that direct the choice and implementation of more focused, lower-level objectives. Mental models, such as cognitive habits like scripts and schemas, are also stimulated by activated overall objectives (Feldman & Rafaeli, 2022; Moldoveanu & Baum, 2021). Even if these models have an impact on behavior, they are still subject to personal agency and are flexible enough to adjust to changing circumstances (Aarts & Dijksterhuis, 2020; Zajac et al., 2023).

Hedonic, gain, and normative are the three main objectives that institutions pursue (Lindenberg & Steg, 2022). According to Baumeister and Leary (2020), the hedonic objective is centered on immediate emotional well-being that is connected to basic physical and social requirements. The gain aim focuses on acquiring resources and making strategic decisions, frequently viewing norms as opportunities or limitations (Williamson, 2020). The normative objective, which is influenced by mental models and upheld by universal social standards that are necessary for collaboration, places an emphasis on social norms, ethical behavior, and collective benefit (Lindenberg, 2024).

Overarching objectives impact relationships and perceptions by forming expectations about other people. For example, people are more likely to assume normatively oriented conduct from others when they project their primary normative objective onto others (Critcher & Dunning, 2024; Van Lange, 2022). This dynamic is further amplified by environmental cues, since divergent signals reduce salience while common attitudes improve alignment (Lindenberg, 2020a; Keizer, Steg, & Lindenberg, 2023). These interrelated procedures show how complexly organizations use cognitive and motivational processes to influence behavior.

Institutions operate as linked systems that combine formal regulations and social norms rather than as discrete sets of rules (Hodges, 2021). Family law, for example, is a reflection of larger cultural standards on appropriate family conduct. Though these complementarities can be divided into groups like family law, contract law, or police law, these institutionalized laws and conventions frequently work in tandem with one another. Despite these differences, the focus of this essay is on institutional structures in general.

Overarching objectives are greatly shaped by institutional structures, which also have an impact on behavior, motivation, and cognitive processes. The normative objective, the gain goal, the hedonic goal, and the balance between these goals are the four main influences that are recognized.

Legitimation-establishing procedures are essential. Different civilizations have different bases for legitimacy, as Weber (2023) pointed out. Value-based and procedural factors are crucial in Western societies. The formation and approval of suitable decision - makers are necessary for the legitimacy of new laws, although majority assent may be needed for informal regulations.

Teacher Involvement and Engagement:

The quality of a student's educational experience is greatly influenced by teacher participation, but it also depends on a variety of other factors, including faculty competency and instructional tactics (Marken, 2021). Since they are the cornerstone of an organization's performance, employee engagement and dedication are crucial to its success. The hard work of driven individuals is largely responsible for the success of any organization or corporation (Nagoji et al., 2022).

In academia, faculty involvement is essential. In order to meet a country's labor demands and support societal objectives for a compassionate and forward-thinking society, universities are naturally built to house highly qualified and specialized intellectuals. Different educational systems, attitudes, and faculty duties are reflected in educational institutions around the globe (Raina et al., 2020).

According to Kaur (2022), employee engagement is a special fusion of dedication, involvement, and job satisfaction that includes three essential components: cognitive engagement, which represents the application of knowledge, experience, and skills; emotional engagement, which is defined by the alignment of personal identity with organizational objectives; and physical engagement, which entails productive effort and a positive outlook. Barman et al. (2021) go on to say that employee engagement is a measure of how committed a worker is to their work. This dedication may be logical, motivated by self-interest and material gains like pay raises or professional promotions, or it may be emotional, resulting from a stronger bond with the company, coworkers, or the task at hand. Increased effort and long-term retention are frequently the results of high engagement.

Faculty members who are engaged show both physical and psychological commitment to their jobs and environments. These workers are more likely to promote their company as an attractive place to work, report reduced healthcare expenses, take fewer sick days, and are less likely to quit. These results are especially significant in higher education as the caliber of student experiences is directly impacted by faculty involvement (Marken, 2021).

It is possible for higher education to overcome societal differences, encourage critical conversation, and cultivate cultural understanding. Institutions must take a comprehensive approach to achieving these objectives, with policies, initiatives, and curriculum purposefully created to offer inclusive and significant international educational experiences. It is often acknowledged that fostering these learning environments requires active faculty participation (Friesen, 2022)

Additionally, educational institutions are essential to the growth and survival of other industries. Faculty teaching, research, and service are ways that universities and colleges show their dedication to engagement, and staff engagement is a powerful indicator of successful institutional results (Markos, 2020).

Higher education, a vital part of nation-building, needs to be regularly evaluated in order to predict future results. As a sign of accomplishment, it provides people with information, respect, self-assurance, and professional chances. Higher education is essential for fostering the scientific and technological proficiencies required to prosper in

a global knowledge economy, according to human capital theory (Ding & Zeng, 2020). Understanding the elements impacting faculty growth is crucial to achieving this potential.

Although corporate employees are the subject of the majority of employee engagement studies, faculty members at public and private educational institutions deal with comparable difficulties. The quick expansion of business and technical education institutions in developing countries like the Philippines highlights the value of these programs in creating graduates who support a range of businesses (Raina et al., 2020).

Since high turnover and early retirement rates, along with the emotional and motivational difficulties instructors encounter, have a substantial influence on classroom performance, there has been a recent surge in interest in the psychological health of educators. The notion of engagement, which was first developed in academia, was later embraced by business organizations and is currently receiving more attention from management, organizational behavior, and psychology researchers (Welch, 2021). While disengaged teachers can become liabilities, highly engaged professors are invaluable assets. Disengaged faculty members are more likely to be absent from work, think about quitting, or retire early, according to research (Raina et al., 2020).

Theoretical Framework:

The relationship between teachers' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals can be analyzed through Social Exchange Theory (SET). SET posits that interactions between parties are guided by the principles of reciprocity and mutual benefit, fostering a sense of obligation and commitment (Levinson, 1965). Within the context of education, the application of SET underscores how teachers' active involvement in strategic planning generates a reciprocal sense of responsibility, motivating them to engage in the effective execution of institutional goals.

According to Masterson et al. (2000), when individuals perceive that their contributions are valued and that their involvement has tangible outcomes, they feel an increased sense of obligation to reciprocate by contributing more actively to the organization's objectives. For teachers, participation in strategic planning can enhance their perception of organizational support, empowering them to take ownership of institutional goals. This dynamic aligns with Eisenberger et al. (1986), who argued that when individuals perceive high levels of organizational support, they develop a sense of duty to repay the organization through positive attitudes and behaviors.

Participation in strategic planning offers teachers the opportunity to contribute to decision-making processes, enabling them to align their personal goals with institutional priorities (Saks, 2006). As noted by Delgado & Ramos (2021), teachers who perceive their voices as integral to shaping institutional strategies are more likely to exhibit heightened engagement and dedication to implementing those strategies. This alignment fosters a deeper emotional connection with the institution, reinforcing their commitment to its success (Villanueva & Espinoza, 2023).

Moreover, the reciprocity embedded within SET suggests that teachers who experience inclusive and collaborative planning processes feel a heightened sense of loyalty and motivation to contribute effectively. As Cabrera & Martinez (2022) argued, strategic participation reinforces teachers' belief in the institution's vision, motivating them to engage in implementing goals that they helped to design. This engagement stems

from the perception that their contributions are acknowledged and valued, thereby enhancing their sense of purpose within the organization (Rojas & Fernandez, 2024).

Research also demonstrates that when teachers are involved in strategic planning, their levels of trust in leadership and organizational processes improve, which further strengthens their engagement (Lozano & Padilla, 2023). As proposed by Gomez & Castillo (2020), the active involvement of teachers in institutional planning encourages a reciprocal exchange of trust and commitment, motivating them to exceed expectations in goal implementation.

Additionally, the principle of reciprocity extends to the relationship between resource provision and engagement. Teachers who perceive that their involvement in planning is supported with adequate resources and professional development opportunities are more likely to reciprocate by actively contributing to institutional success (Santos & Herrera, 2022). This exchange is consistent with SET's assertion that perceived organizational support fosters a sense of responsibility to repay the organization (Eisenberger et al., 1986).

Social Exchange Theory provides a robust framework for understanding how teachers' participation in strategic planning fosters their engagement in implementing institutional goals. By actively involving teachers in planning processes and providing them with the necessary support, institutions create a dynamic of reciprocity, leading to enhanced teacher commitment and organizational success.

Conceptual Framework:

Figure 1 shows the research paradigm on the assessing the relationship between the teacher respondents' self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals in Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China. It will likewise present the correlation between the teacher respondents' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.
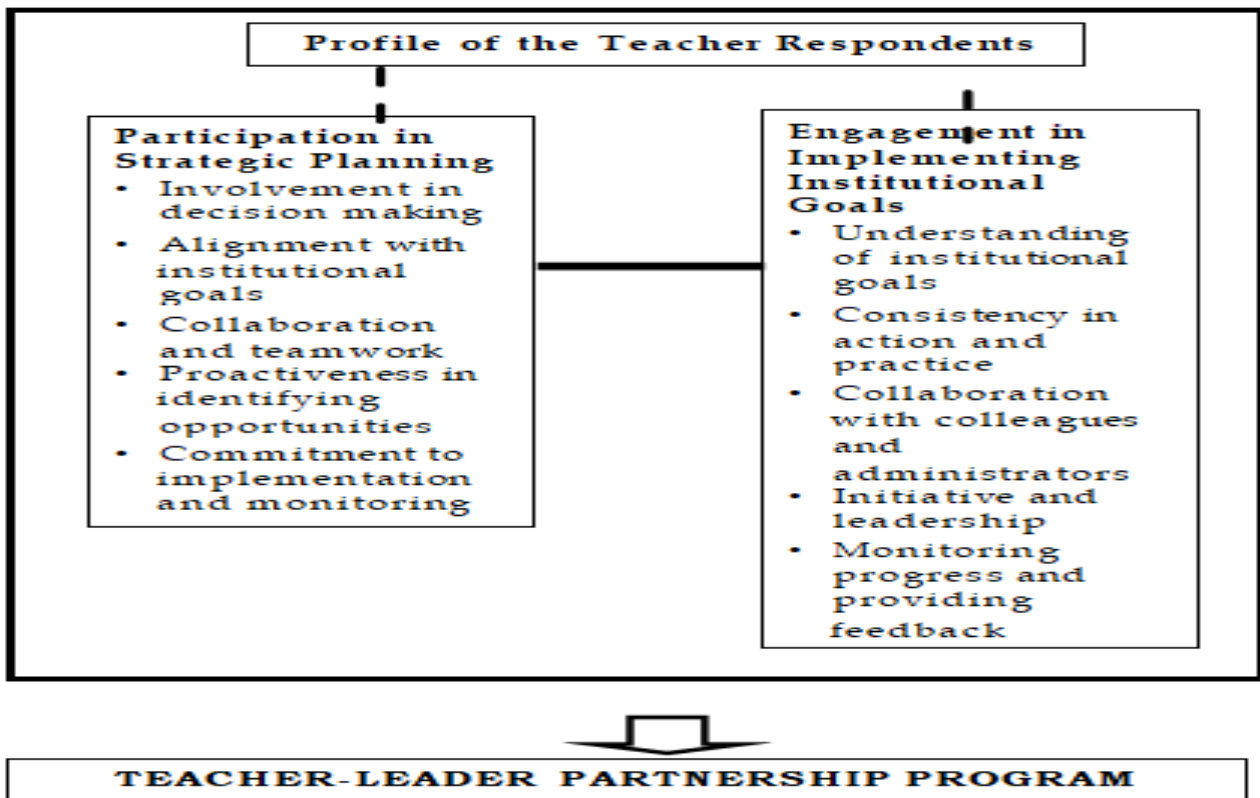
Figure 1. Research Paradigm

Figure 1 indicates the research paradigm of the study. It presents the intervening variables, specifically the teachers' demographic data. It also presents the teacher respondents' self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.

It shows the expected output of the study, which is the teacher-leader partnership program.

Statement of the Problem

This study will determine the relationship between teachers' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals in a vocational college in Tianjin, China.

The results of the study will be used as a basis for a teacher-leader partnership program.

Specifically, the study will answer the following questions:

1. What is the demographic profile of the teacher respondents in

terms of: 1.1. sex; 1.2. age;

1.3. educational attainment;

1.4. years of service; and

1.5. seminars attended related to the topic?

2. What is the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their

participation in strategic planning in terms of:

2.1. involvement in decision making;
2.2. alignment with institutional goals;
2.3. collaboration and teamwork;
2.4. proactiveness in identifying opportunities; and
2.5. commitment to implementation and monitoring?
3. Is there a significant difference in the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their participation in strategic planning when they are grouped according to their profile?

4. What is the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their engagement in implementing institutional goals in terms of:

4.1. understanding of institutional goals;
4.2. consistency in action and practice;
4.3. collaboration with colleagues and administrators;
4.4. initiative and leadership; and
4.5. monitoring progress and providing feedback?
5. Is there a significant difference in the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their engagement in implementing institutional goals when they are grouped according to their profile?

6. Is there is significant relationship between the teacher respondents' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals?

7. Based on the results of the study, what teacher-leader partnership program can be proposed?

Hypothesis

The following hypotheses will be tested:

1. There is no significant difference in the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their participation in strategic planning when they are grouped according to their profile.

2. There is no significant difference in the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their engagement in implementing institutional goals when they are grouped according to their profile.

3. There is no significant relationship between the teacher respondents' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.

Significance of the Study:

The outcomes of this study can be valuable for the following:

Teachers - Teachers will benefit by gaining a deeper understanding of how their participation in strategic planning enhances their engagement in achieving institutional goals. This involvement will empower them to take ownership of their roles, improving their commitment and job satisfaction.

Supervisors and School Administration - Supervisors and school administrators will gain insights into the importance of including teachers in strategic planning. This knowledge will help them foster collaboration, align institutional goals with teachers' contributions, and improve overall organizational performance.

Policy Makers - Policy makers will receive evidence-based findings on the relationship between teachers' participation in strategic planning and their engagement levels. This information will guide the creation of policies that encourage participatory decision-making in educational institutions.

Professional Development Providers - Professional development providers will benefit by understanding how strategic planning impacts teachers' engagement. This will enable them to design training programs that equip teachers with the skills needed for effective participation in institutional goal-setting and implementation.

Future Researchers - Future researchers will find a foundation for exploring the dynamics of teacher participation in strategic planning and its effects on organizational outcomes. The study will provide valuable data for further investigations into participatory management in education.

Scope and Delimitation of the Study:

The study will be carried out in Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China. The scope of the study will cover the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in

implementing institutional goals by teachers from Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China .

The study will evolve around the selected profile variables of the teacher respondents such as sex, age, educational attainment , years of service, and seminars attended related to the topic .

To be specific, the teacher respondents' self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their participation in strategic planning will be based on the following: involvement in decision making, alignment with institutional goals, collaboration and teamwork, proactiveness in identifying opportunities, and commitment to implementation and monitoring . This variable will be correlated with the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their engagement in implementing institutional goals in terms of understanding of institutional goals, consistency in action and practice, collaboration with colleagues and administrators, initiative and leadership, and monitoring progress and providing feedback .

In data gathering and utilizing more complex statistical treatment, the study included descriptive statistics and correlational analysis with one-way ANOVA and post hoc analysis to interpret further and investigate the teacher respondents' demographic data and the significant relationship between their self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals .

Definition of Terms

Accountability. Accountability refers to the obligation of individuals or organizations to take responsibility for their actions and decisions. It ensures transparency and fosters trust among stakeholders.

Benchmarking. Benchmarking is the process of comparing an organization's performance and practices to those of industry leaders or competitors. It identifies areas for improvement and sets performance standards.

Capacity Building. Capacity building involves enhancing an organization's skills, resources, and abilities to achieve its goals. It includes training, infrastructure development, and knowledge sharing.

Change Management. Change management is the structured approach to planning and implementing changes within an organization. It ensures that transitions are smooth and that employees are supported throughout the process.

Conflict Resolution. Conflict resolution involves the strategies and processes used to address and resolve disputes or disagreements within an organization. It promotes collaboration and a positive work environment.

Continuous Improvement. Continuous improvement is the ongoing effort to enhance processes, products, and services. It involves regularly assessing performance and implementing changes for better outcomes.

Decision-Making Processes. Decision-making processes refer to the methods and steps used by organizations to evaluate options and make informed choices. Effective processes involve collaboration, analysis, and clear communication.

Employee Engagement. Employee engagement is the emotional commitment and involvement that employees have toward their organization and its objectives. High engagement leads to increased productivity and job satisfaction.

Employee Retention. Employee retention refers to an organization's ability to retain its workforce over time. It involves strategies to enhance job satisfaction, career growth, and workplace culture.

Ethical Leadership. Ethical leadership is the practice of guiding an organization with integrity, fairness, and transparency. It fosters trust and accountability among employees and stakeholders.

Human Resource Management. Human resource management encompasses the practices and strategies used to recruit, develop, and retain an organization's workforce. It focuses on optimizing employee performance and satisfaction.

Institutional Goals. Institutional goals are the broad, overarching objectives that guide an organization's mission and purpose. These goals provide a framework for decision-making, resource allocation, and performance evaluation, ensuring alignment with the institution's values and vision.

Institutional Policies. Institutional policies are formal rules and guidelines established by an organization to regulate behavior and decision-making. They ensure consistency, compliance, and alignment with institutional goals.

Knowledge Management. Knowledge management involves the systematic process of capturing, sharing, and utilizing organizational knowledge. It enhances decision-making and fosters innovation.

Leadership Development. Leadership development involves training and mentoring individuals to build the skills and qualities necessary for effective leadership. It aims to prepare leaders to guide teams and achieve organizational goals.

Mission Statement. A mission statement is a concise declaration of an organization's purpose, values, and primary objectives. It serves as a guiding principle for decision-making and strategic planning.

Operational Efficiency. Operational efficiency refers to the ability of an organization to maximize outputs while minimizing inputs, such as time, money, and resources. It focuses on streamlining processes and eliminating waste.

Organizational Adaptability. Organizational adaptability is the ability of an institution to respond to changes in the external environment, such as market trends, technology, or regulations. It ensures resilience and sustainability.

Organizational Culture. Organizational culture refers to the shared values, beliefs, norms, and practices that shape the behavior and interactions within an institution. It influences decision-making, employee satisfaction, and overall performance.

Organizational Development. Organizational development refers to the planned and systematic efforts to improve an organization's effectiveness, adaptability, and overall health. It involves interventions in areas such as culture, processes, and leadership to facilitate growth.

Organizational Effectiveness. Organizational effectiveness measures how well an institution achieves its goals and fulfills its mission. It encompasses productivity, adaptability, and stakeholder satisfaction.

Organizational Goals. Organizational goals are the specific outcomes an institution seeks to achieve to fulfill its mission and vision. They provide a clear direction for operations and initiatives.

Organizational Performance. Organizational performance measures how effectively an institution achieves its objectives, operates efficiently, and meets the expectations of stakeholders.

Organizational Structure. Organizational structure refers to the hierarchy and arrangement of roles, responsibilities, and communication within an institution. It determines how decisions are made and tasks are coordinated.

Performance Appraisal. Performance appraisal is the systematic evaluation of an employee's job performance and contributions to the organization. It provides feedback and identifies areas for improvement.

Performance Metrics. Performance metrics are quantifiable measures used to assess the effectiveness, efficiency, and progress of an organization's strategies and operations. They help evaluate whether goals and objectives are being met.

Policy Development. Policy development is the process of creating and implementing formal rules and guidelines to govern organizational behavior and practices. It ensures consistency and compliance with laws and standards.

Resource Allocation. Resource allocation is the process of distributing an organization's resources, including finances, personnel, and time, to various projects or departments. It ensures that resources are used efficiently to meet institutional goals.

Risk Management. Risk management is the process of identifying, analyzing, and mitigating potential risks that could negatively impact an organization. It involves creating strategies to minimize uncertainties and ensure stability.

Stakeholder Engagement. Stakeholder engagement is the practice of involving individuals, groups, or organizations that have an interest or stake in the institution's activities. It ensures that stakeholders' perspectives and contributions are considered in decision-making.

Strategic Alignment. Strategic alignment is the process of ensuring that all organizational activities, resources, and goals are consistent with its overarching strategy and vision.

Strategic Objectives. Strategic objectives are specific, measurable goals that an organization aims to achieve as part of its strategic plan. They guide decision-making and resource allocation.

Strategic Partnerships. Strategic partnerships are formal agreements between organizations to collaborate and achieve shared goals. These partnerships leverage each other's strengths and resources for mutual benefit.

Strategic Planning. Strategic planning is a systematic process undertaken by organizations to define their long-term goals, establish priorities, and develop strategies to achieve those objectives. It involves analyzing current conditions, setting a vision, and allocating resources effectively to ensure sustainable growth and success.

Sustainability. Sustainability is the practice of meeting current organizational needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet theirs. It involves balancing economic, social, and environmental considerations.

Vision Statement. A vision statement articulates an organization's long-term aspirations and the desired future state. It inspires and guides stakeholders toward a common goal.

Workforce Planning. Workforce planning is the strategic process of forecasting and managing an organization's human resource needs. It ensures that the right talent is in place to meet current and future demands.

Methodology:
Research Design:

The research adopts a descriptive, comparative, and correlational methodology, characterized by its precise definitions, meticulous documentation, comprehensive analysis, and nuanced understanding of contextual interactions. According to Tanaka and Pham (2024), descriptive research is intended to systematically identify and analyze the fundamental characteristics, behaviors, and attributes of phenomena in their natural settings. Its primary goal is to develop detailed profiles of specific entities or gain a more profound understanding of the current state, thereby laying a strong foundation for subsequent studies.

Building on the observations of Tanaka and Pham (2024), descriptive research is indispensable in the social sciences and psychology, offering critical insights into natural patterns and behaviors. This approach facilitates the accurate and unbiased collection of data on the beliefs, actions, and traits of target populations, providing valuable perspectives on societal dynamics.

Furthermore, Lin and Kusuma (2023) highlight the importance of comparative methods in identifying key variables that influence outcomes across diverse groups or contexts. They assert that correlational analysis plays a pivotal role in uncovering potential causal links between variables, thereby enhancing the explanatory capacity of research designs. In this study, correlational analysis will explore the relationships between demographic characteristics and relevant attitudes or behaviors tied to the research problem, contributing to the development of theoretical models and practical strategies for intervention.

The descriptive-comparative-correlational approach employed in this investigation establishes a solid framework for analyzing complex relationships between variables and their contexts. By integrating the methodological insights of Lin and Kusuma (2023) with the foundational principles detailed by Tanaka and Pham (2024), this approach bolsters the depth and validity of the findings, creating a reliable basis for further research and practical applications in related domains.

This study aims to investigate the teachers' self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.

This research approach allows the researcher to numerically analyze, compare, and correlate the relationships amongst the dependent variables included in the study.

By utilizing this approach, the researcher will be able to find any significant difference or relationship in the teacher respondents' self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their demographic data such as sex, age, educational attainment, years of service, and seminars attended related to the topic. Also, the researcher will be able to find any significant difference or relationship in the teachers' self-assessment of their engagement in implementing institutional goals and their demographic data such as sex, age, educational attainment, years of service, and seminars attended related to the topic. The teachers' self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals will then be correlated.

All the above discussions on the descriptive research method will suit the nature of research that this present study would do; hence this method will be adopted.

Research Locale:

This paper intends to be conducted at Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China. Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College (Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College), located in Tianjin, is a full-time general college approved by the Tianjin Municipal People's Government and registered by the Ministry of Education. It is a high-level vocational college with Chinese characteristics and a college under the construction plan of professional construction, a national key vocational college, a national high-quality junior college, a national training base for talents in short supply in the field of CNC technology application, a national modern apprenticeship pilot unit, and a model vocational college in Tianjin. It is the vice chairman unit of the Tianjin Mold Industry Association and the executive director unit of the Tianjin New Energy Association.

The school was established in 2001 and was established by the merger of Tianjin Second Light Industry Bureau Staff University, Tianjin Second Light Industry School, and Tianjin Second Light Industry Bureau Cadre Secondary Professional School. In 2010, the school was identified as a national key vocational college project construction unit. In July 2019, the school was identified as a national high-quality junior college higher vocational college and the second batch of pilot units of the Ministry of Education's modern apprenticeship system, and was listed as a third-category high-level school construction unit (C file) by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Finance.

As of February 2024, the university covers an area of 842 mu and has a building area of 197,000 square meters. It has 5 secondary colleges, 35 higher vocational majors and 2 joint training undergraduate majors. It has 485 faculty members and more than 11,000 students.

Participants of the Study:

The participants of this study consists of teachers from Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in

Tianjin, China . There are a total of 485 teacher in the college as of the conduct of this study. The researcher will take at least 300 teachers.

Sampling Technique

The respondents of the study will be the teachers from Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China . In selecting the teacher respondents, purposive sampling technique will be used among the teacher respondents.

Only those teachers who have served the university for at least three years and who are serving in a fulltime status will be requested to participate in the study. Teachers who occupies any supervisory or administrative functions will not be entertained to participate in the study.

Research Instrument

In gathering the needed data, the researcher will make researcher-made questionnaires on the teacher respondents' self- assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals .

The researcher will use face to face or onsite in administering this questionnaire.

The questionnaire will be composed of the following parts.

Part 1 – This section determines the demographic profile of the teacher respondents.

Part 2 – This section determines the teacher respondents ' participation in strategic planning .

Part 3 – This section identifies the teacher respondents' engagement in implementing institutional goals

Participation in Strategic Planning

Scale **Verbal Interpretation**

3.51 - 4.00 **Very Participative**

If the statements are very true of them, 76%-100% level of participation.

2.51 -3.50 **Participative**

If the statements are true of them, 51%-75% level of participation.

1.51 -2.50 **Slightly Participative**

If the statements are slightly true of them, 26%-50% level of participation.

1.00-1.50 **Not Participative**

If the statements are not true of them, 1%-25% level of participation.

Engagement in Implementing Institutional Goals

| Scale | Verbal Interpretation |

Scale   **Verbal Interpretation**

3.51 - 4.00   **Very Engaged**

If the statements are very true of them, 76%-100% level of engagement.

2.51 -3.50   **Engaged**

If the statements are true of them, 51%-75% level of engagement.

1.51 -2.50   **Slightly Engaged**

If the statements are slightly true of them, 26%-50% level of engagement.

1.00-1.50   **Not Engaged**

If the statements are not true of them, 1%-25% level of engagement.

The adapted questionnaire and the researcher-made questionnaire will be subjected to content validation of the experts who are knowledgeable in the field of research. The suggestions of the experts will be made integral in the instrument.

The same instrument will be submitted for face validation with at least five experts. The questionnaires will be pilot tested to measure reliability. The pilot testing will be computed using Cronbach's Alpha through the Statistical Package of Social Science (SPSS) . The researcher welcomes the suggestions of the experts and will make necessary revisions to construct the said instruments valid.

Data Gathering Procedure:

The researcher will get permission from the office of the principal of Tianjin Light Industry Vocational Technical College in Tianjin, China .

When the permission is approved, the researcher will ask permission from the school heads by distributing a letter of consent form to the teacher respondents, which will be signed by them and will be returned to the researcher.

After, the purpose of the study and instructions on how the items on the survey should be answered will be explained to the teacher respondents. Then, the survey will be administered using the face to face and they will be given enough time to answer the survey.

After completing the survey, the researcher will collect the questionnaires from the teacher respondents.

The data will be gathered, tallied, and processed with Statistical Package for Social Science (SPSS) . The processed data will be interpreted and analyzed, and the results will be used to propose a sustainability and revenue diversification program .

Finally, the interpretation and analysis of data will be done. Summary of findings, conclusions, and recommendations will be formulated.

Statistical Treatment of the Data:

The responses to the survey questionnaire will be tallied using the SPSS, and then they will be tabulated and organized accordingly. The data will be presented, analyzed, and interpreted using frequency, percentage, mean, standard deviation, independent samples t-test, one-way ANOVA, and Pearson's r correlation.

1. For research question no. 1, descriptive statistics such as frequency counts and percentages will be used to treat responses in the demographic profile of the teacher respondents.

2. For research question nos. 2 and 4, weighted means will be utilized to treat the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their participation in strategic planning in terms of involvement in decision making, alignment with institutional goals, collaboration and teamwork, proactiveness in identifying opportunities, and commitment to implementation and monitoring.

Weighted means will also be used to compute for the self-assessment of the teacher respondents of their engagement in implementing institutional goals in terms of understanding of institutional goals, consistency in action and practice, collaboration with colleagues and administrators, initiative and leadership, and monitoring progress and providing feedback.

The following will be used to interpret the WM of the teacher respondents' responses:

Mean Range	Verbal Description
3.51 - 4.00	Very True of Me
2.51 - 3.50	True of Me
1.51 - 2.50	Slightly True of Me
1.00 - 1.50	Not True of Me

3. For research question nos. 3 and 5, one way ANOVA with post-hoc analysis (Scheffe) will be used to find out the significant difference in the self-assessment of their participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.

4. For research question no. 6, Pearson's r correlation analysis will be utilized to determine the significant relationship between the teacher respondents' participation in strategic planning and their engagement in implementing institutional goals.

Ethical Considerations

The researcher will constructively consider and carefully follow the ethical considerations that must be met to protect the rights of all the respondents. The following are the ethical considerations:

1. Conflict of Interest

The researcher of this study ensured that there would be no conflict of interest . The researcher needed to elaborate and clearly state the purpose of this research and study to the chosen respondents. It is also a must that the researcher must stick to the purpose of gathering personal information and data. All gathered data must not be used for any form of exploitation against the respondents. The researcher must stick to the objective of the research and its purpose.

2. Privacy and Confidentiality

Before conducting this research, the respondents will be assured that whatever information would be gathered would be confidential, and the survey results cannot be given to anyone aside from the researcher himself and the person who answered the survey – questionnaire. The researcher must not mention the respondents' names in presenting the data gathered to protect their privacy. The identity of the respondents would remain anonymous or free from any clues and suggestions that would lead others to connect or relate with the respondents.

3. Informed Consent Process

Before conducting the survey questionnaire, the researcher will secure a consent form that gives confirmation and consent from the respondents that they understand the purpose and objective of this study and agreed that the data gathered would strengthen the researcher's study. The researcher will make sure that she explains thoroughly and clearly everything to the respondents without any deception. The process and the possible risks in participating in this study will also be discussed.

4. Recruitment

The respondents of this study will be the teachers . The respondents will be free to exercise their rights to disagree and agree in participating in this study. The respondents will not be forced to participate and will be given the freedom to refuse at any point in time.

5. Risk

The researcher of this study will ensure that there would be no risk in participating in this study. The respondents will ensure that whatever data and information would be gathered would not harm respondents' life and name. The respondents had all the rights to freely stop the conduct of questions at any given time if they felt harassed, questions were too personal and or violated.

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Appendix A

TEACHERS' PARTICIPATION IN STRATEGIC PLANNING AND THEIR ENGAGEMENT IN IMPLEMENTING INSTITUTIONAL GOALS

TEACHERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

Part I. Profile of the teacher respondents in terms of:

1.1 Name _____

1.2 Sex: (   ) Male   (   ) Female

1.3. Age : (   ) less than 15 yrs. old   (   ) 18 yrs. old
           (   ) 16 yrs. old   (   ) more than 18 yrs. old
           (   ) 17 yrs. old

1.4. Educational Attainment : (   ) Bachelor's Degree Holder
                              (   ) With MA/MAEd Units
                              (   ) With MA/MAEd Degree
                              (   ) With PhD Units
                              (   ) With PhD Degree

1.5 Years of Service : (   ) Less than 5 Years
                       (   ) 5-10 Years
                       (   ) 11-15 Years
                       (   ) 16-20 Years
                       (   ) More than 20 Years

1.4 Seminars Attended Related to the Topic : (   ) Less than 3
(   ) 3-
 5
(   )
 More than 5

Part II. Participation in Strategic Planning

Direction: For each statement below, please assess your participation in strategic planning in your institution in the following areas by indicating the extent to which each statement is true of you. Rate your participation in strategic planning in your institution on a scale from 1 to 4, where:

Rate	Verbal Interpretation
4	Very True of Me
3	True of Me
2	Slightly True of Me
1	Not True of Me

Indicators	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
A. Involvement in Decision Making				
1. I am actively involved in discussions regarding the decision-making process in my school.				
2. I have a say in the decisions that directly affect my teaching and classroom environment.				
3. I participate in meetings where strategic decisions are made for the school.				
4. My opinions and suggestions are considered when decisions are being made at the school level.				
5. I am consulted before major changes are implemented in the school system.				
6. I have the opportunity to voice my concerns or ideas during decision-making processes.				
7. I believe my contributions to school-wide decision making are valued and taken seriously.				
8. I have input on school policies that impact my daily teaching activities.				

9. I am encouraged to provide feedback on the school's strategic plans.				

B. Alignment with Institutional Goals

10. My teaching goals are aligned with the school's overall strategic goals.				
11. I understand how my role fits into the broader objectives of the school.				
12. I actively ensure that my classroom practices support the school's strategic direction.				
13. I regularly reflect on how my work contributes to the school's long-term goals.				
14. I make an effort to stay informed about the school's strategic initiatives and how they affect my work.				
15. I engage in conversations with colleagues to align our individual goals with the school's goals.				
16. I actively seek ways to ensure that my classroom activities are in line with the institution's vision.				
17. I regularly evaluate whether my teaching methods are contributing to the school's success.				

C. Collaboration and Teamwork

18. I frequently collaborate with colleagues to plan and implement strategic initiatives.				
19. I believe teamwork is essential for achieving the school's strategic goals.				
20. I am involved in cross-departmental collaborations to improve school-wide outcomes.				
21. I actively share ideas and resources with colleagues to support collective goals.				
22. I participate in team meetings where we discuss and plan strategic initiatives for the school.				

23. I support my colleagues in achieving their goals in alignment with the school's strategy.				

24. I feel that effective collaboration is a key factor in achieving the institution's goals.				
25. I enjoy working with my colleagues to plan and achieve the school's objectives.				
26. I contribute actively in team efforts aimed at improving institutional practices.				

D. Proactiveness in Identifying Opportunities

27. I am proactive in identifying opportunities for improving school processes or teaching methods.				
28. I regularly suggest new ideas or approaches that could help the school achieve its strategic goals.				
29. I take the initiative to implement new strategies or approaches in my classroom.				
30. I am always looking for ways to enhance my teaching in alignment with the school's goals.				
31. I actively seek out professional development opportunities that can contribute to achieving the school's objectives.				
32. I encourage my colleagues to explore new ideas or approaches that align with the school's strategy.				
33. I am quick to identify areas for improvement and suggest appropriate solutions.				
34. I regularly contribute to discussions about innovative opportunities to improve the school.				

E. Commitment to Implementation and Monitoring

35. I am committed to putting the school's strategic plans into action within my classroom.				

36. I monitor the progress of school-wide initiatives to ensure that they are on track.				
37. I actively participate in the evaluation and assessment of strategic initiatives.				
38. I ensure that I follow through on the commitments made during strategic planning discussions.				
39. I take ownership of my role in the implementation of strategic goals within the school.				
40. I regularly assess my own progress in achieving the goals outlined in the school's strategic plan.				
41. I work closely with colleagues to ensure that the school's strategic goals are being met.				
42. I keep track of changes and initiatives related to the school's strategic goals to ensure continuous improvement.				
43. I contribute to the evaluation of the effectiveness of strategic initiatives in the school.				

Part III. Engagement in Implementing Institutional Goals

Direction: For each statement below, please assess your engagement in implementing institutional goals in your

institution in the following areas by indicating the extent to which each statement is true of you. Rate your engagement in implementing institutional goals in your institution on a scale from 1 to 4, where:

Rate	Verbal Interpretation
4	Very True of Me
3	True of Me
2	Slightly True of Me
1	Not True of Me

Indicators	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
A. Understanding of Institutional Goals				
1. I have a clear understanding of the institution's long-term goals.				
2. I am familiar with how the institution's goals relate to my teaching practices.				
3. I understand how the school's strategic goals align with my personal teaching goals.				
4. I am aware of the specific institutional goals that need to be achieved this year.				
5. I regularly seek clarification on the institutional goals when needed.				
6. I believe that understanding the institution's goals is crucial for my teaching.				
7. I am aware of how my work contributes to achieving the school's goals.				
8. I feel confident in explaining the institutional goals to others.				
9. I stay informed about updates or changes to the institution's goals.				
B. Consistency in Action and Practice				
8. I consistently align my teaching practices with the institution's goals.				
9. I follow through with plans that contribute to the achievement of institutional goals.				

10. I make a conscious effort to incorporate the institution's goals into my daily teaching.				
11. I maintain consistency in implementing practices that support the school's strategic objectives.				
12. I regularly evaluate my teaching practices to ensure they are aligned with the institution's goals.				
13. I ensure that my actions in the classroom support the achievement of school-wide goals.				
14. I am committed to continuously refining my teaching to align with institutional goals.				
15. I hold myself accountable for consistently implementing institutional strategies in my practice.				

C. Collaboration with Colleagues and Administrators

18. I actively collaborate with colleagues to support the achievement of institutional goals.				
19. I work closely with administrators to ensure that we are aligned in achieving institutional goals.				
20. I share ideas and resources with colleagues to help meet the school's strategic objectives.				
21. I actively participate in team meetings that focus on the institution's goals.				
22. I engage in discussions with colleagues and administrators to plan how to achieve institutional goals.				
23. I offer support and assistance to colleagues in achieving the school's strategic goals.				
24. I feel that collaboration with my colleagues helps improve the overall success of institutional goals.				

25. I communicate regularly with administrators to ensure we are on the same page regarding the institution's goals.

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26. I contribute to group efforts aimed at implementing and achieving the school's strategic goals.				

D. Initiative and Leadership

27. I take initiative in finding new ways to support the school's institutional goals.				

28. I feel confident in leading efforts that contribute to achieving the institution's goals.				
29. I actively seek opportunities to lead projects that align with institutional objectives.				
30. I am proactive in identifying areas where I can contribute to the school's strategic goals.				
31. I encourage my colleagues to engage with the institutional goals and initiatives.				
32. I take responsibility for implementing strategies that support the school's objectives.				
33. I am confident in my ability to take on leadership roles related to institutional goal implementation.				
34. I regularly suggest new approaches to advance the achievement of the institution's goals.				
E. Monitoring Progress and Providing Feedback				
35. I regularly monitor my progress in contributing to the achievement of institutional goals.				
36. I provide feedback to my colleagues on how they can align their practices with the school's goals.				
37. I track the outcomes of my efforts to implement the institution's goals.				
38. I engage in regular self-reflection to evaluate my role in the school's strategic initiatives.				
39. I participate in discussions about the progress of institutional goals.				

40. I provide constructive feedback to administrators and colleagues to improve the implementation of institutional goals.				
41. I track student performance to assess how well it aligns with institutional goals.				
42. I am involved in evaluating the effectiveness of strategies aimed at achieving institutional goals.				
43. I adjust my teaching based on feedback regarding my contribution to institutional goals.				