# COLLABORATING WITH NON-COLLABORATORS

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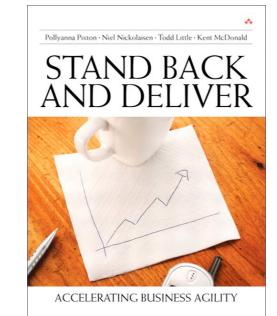
- Work Around
- Reflect. Don't react
- Don't take it personally
- I'll get back to you on that
- Leave the room

#### WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS

- Remove the non-Collaborator (or yourself)
- Protect the team

### **COLLABORATION TOOLS**

- Collaboration Brainstorm Process
- Let the team decide.
- None of us is as smart as all of us.
- Red Flags
- Step up / Step back
- Ask questions to guide.
- Create a Culture of Trust
- Remove debilitating fear
- Team Based Measurements
- Measure results
- Assume risk together.
- Find common goal.
- Protect the team boundaries.
- Create a safe place to fail.
- Take the fun out of dysfunctionality.
- Feedback that honors the relationship.
- Macro Leadership Cube
- Purpose Alignment Model
- Business Value Model
- Billboards
- Decision Filters



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SMALL CHANGES BIG RESULTS COLLABORATING WITH NON-COLLABORATORS

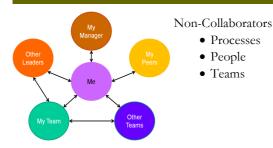
## Trust & Ownership

Failure	Energy & Innovation
Command & Control	Conflict

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#### WHY DON'T PEOPLE COLLABORATE?

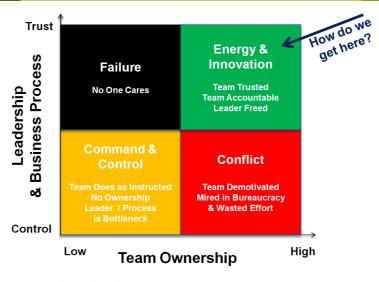
- Lack of skills
- Fear. Fear of losing control; Fear of others taking the credit; Fear of failure; Broken Trust
- It's all about me. Self-Centered; Passive Aggressive; Personal Agenda; Wants Power and Control; Must Win

#### RESEARCH

- Identify the systems they work in
- Identify the systems you work in
- Understand their motivation
- Your own motivation
- Your risk

#### TAKE ACTION

- In general
  - Speak so you can be heard
  - Focus on business value
  - Practice a going forward approach
  - Bring solutions not problems
  - Watch your timing
- Tips
  - Have 3 people in a meeting
  - Find common ground
  - Share information—be transparent
  - Give data before people need it
  - Do you care if it's "their idea"
  - Find an inflencer that works for them



In reality each scale is a continuum.

#### FAILURE

If the team does not care and the Leader has abdicated then No-One cares and the project is doomed to failure.

#### COMMAND & CONTROL

Leaders who fear failure and who are insecure regarding the Team's Ownership are tempted to move to "Command & Control". The team has no ownership of the delivery and does only as instructed. As the leader personally drives all progress and makes every decision they become a bottleneck.

#### CONFLICT

If the team has built strong ownership but the Leader insists on tight control conflict arises. If this situation persists, eventually the team will give up and give ownership back to the Leader. To move to the Energy quadrant the Leader has to relax control and trust the team.

#### **ENERGY & INNOVATION**

The team is has ownership and is committed to meet the business and the Leader's Goals. The Leader is a valued resource that helps the team deliver.

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#### CONFLICT

- Appreciative Enquiry
- Focus on the Future State

#### COMMAND & CONTROL

- Understand why they do this
- Build a cube together
- Check in regularly
- Can you build trust?
- Can you fix the process?

#### CONFLICT

- · Find something you agree on no matter what
- Ask how they would like to solve the rest
- Bring lots of data

#### FAILURE-THE PASSIVE NON-COLLABORATOR

- What are they passionate about?
- What is holding them back?
- Advocate for them to pursue their area of passion.

#### FAILURE-PASSIVE AGGRESSIVE NON-COLLABORATOR

- Don't engage in a power struggle
- Wrap them in process
- Don't let them dodge accountability by saying you don't have authority
- Make them step into their responsibility
- Make them commit in public
- Take the "Fun" out of being dysfunctional
- Don't let them be leaders

#### NON COLLABORATIVE PROCESSES

- Value Stream Mapping
- Improvement Workgroups
- Never let the process make you fail

#### TEAM TO TEAM NON COLLABORATION

- Build a common vision
- Hold past dodgers accountable

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