Asking the right questions

Eight questions for school council members to ask themselves

- 1. Is there any conflict, real or perceived, associated with making this decision?
- 2. Do I have all the facts (data) to enable me to make this decision?
- 3. Is this a rational decision based on all the facts?
- 4. Is this decision in the best interests of the company (school)?
- 5. Is our communication to stakeholders (school community) transparent?
- 6. Is our organisation (school) acting in a socially responsible way?
- 7. Am I a good steward of our organisation's (school's) assets?
- 8. Would the school council be embarrassed if its decision, and the process employed in arriving at its decision, appeared on the front page of a national newspaper?

(per Mervyn King, Chair of King Commission on Corporate Governance: Sth Africa)

