Strategy Huddle[™] with MyStrategicPlan:

Sales Strategy & How it fits into your Strategic Plan



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Purpose Answer real-world questions, handle high-level strategy issues, and share best practices on strategy, execution, planning

Duration 45-60 minutes

YourAsk questions: Questions can be submitted viaRolethe Chat Box on right at any time. **

Offer suggestions: Share your experience via the Chat Box during the topic at hand

Details Session is being recorded and a follow-up email this week will include a link to this huddle as well as the supporting slides.



About Us

- In the past three years we have...
- Managed 100+ strategic planning processes
- Deployed 800+ strategic management systems (MyStrategicPlan, MyNonprofitPlan, MyChurchPlan)
- Built consensus and commitment with 3,000+ executives, managers, boards
- Empowered 1 million + strategist & soon-to-be strategists





I. Stat of the Month

II. "Salesability": Sales Strategy & How it fits into your Strategic Plan

III. Tap into the Wisdom of the Crowd: Your Questions (Time Permitting)



Making Your Strategy Relevant

- Most of the respondents (53%) don't feel their company's strategy will lead to success.
- Two thirds (67%) say their company's capabilities do not fully support the company's strategy and the way it creates value in the market.
- Only one in five (21%) executives think their company has a "right to win" in all the markets it competes in.

Source: Booze & Co.



SALES STRATEGY & HOW IT FITS INTO YOUR STRATEGIC PLAN



Why are some companies sales declining while other companies continue to increase sales?



Declining Sales

Increasing Sales

- Economic Conditions
- Lack of Flexibility
- Poor Planning

- Flexible
- Innovative
- Strategic



How should companies use a strategic plan to build a sales strategy?



Aligning to the Corporate Strategy

- Set sales goals
- Reflect on current business
- Determine retention rate
- Gather resources
- Set sales strategy
- Revisit sales strategy



What are the key factors to consider in a creating an effective sales strategy?



Key Factors

- Target market
- Lead Generation
 - PR
 - Social media
 - Advertising
 - Marketing
- Lead Qualification

This allows the sales process to begin.



How does the length of the sales cycle affect the sales strategy?



Goals & Your Sales Cycle

- Sales Cycle is different at every company
 Determine the length of your sales cycle
- Account for longer sales cycle in determining revenue goals
- Speed up the sales cycle with:
 - Qualified leads
 - Building solid relationships
 - Good follow up



What considerations need to be made regarding sales personnel to support the sales strategy?



Assessing your Sales force

- Number of salespeople needed
- Hiring & training salespeople
- Cost of finding candidates
- Time needed to hire & train



Summary & Takeaways

- Increasing sales requires a plan that includes flexibility, innovations and strategy.
- Set goals and be specific about what needs to be done to reach those goals.
- 3. Know your target audience so you can easily generate qualified leads.
- 4. Consider the length of the sales cycle when setting goals and reassessing.
- 5. Determine the personnel and training needed to reach your goals.



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Next Huddle

- © Next Date is July 27th, 2010 @ 9:00am PT/12:00pm ET
- Send in questions for the next Strategy Huddle to <u>admin@mystrategicplan.com</u> (reference the Strategy Huddle in the subject line)
- Interested in sharing/presenting a best practice as a Strategy Leader? (send email to <u>admin@mystrategicplan.com</u> and reference the Strategy Huddle in the subject line)
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