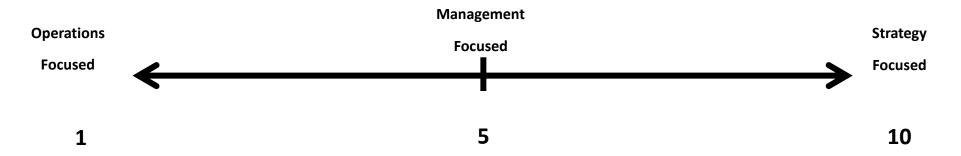


## **Chapter Board Strategic Leadership Alignment Exercise**

This exercise allows the Board to replicate the work done as part of their board orientation done with RGI to:

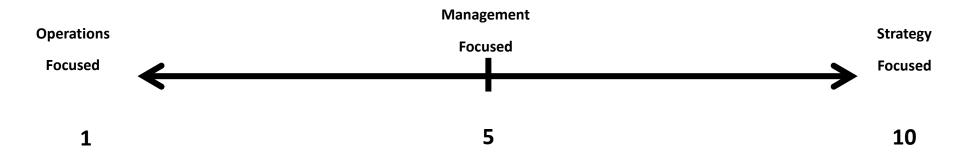
- Do a deeper dive into the conversation, or
- Use this as part of ongoing board orientation when new board members are around the table.
- 1. **Determine the current state:** Each board member takes a piece of paper and writes down a number that represents where they believe the Chapter board spends their time <u>now</u> based on the continuum below. There is no right or wrong answer. Once all answers are in, calculate the average and note it on the continuum below.

## Where does your board focus its time currently?



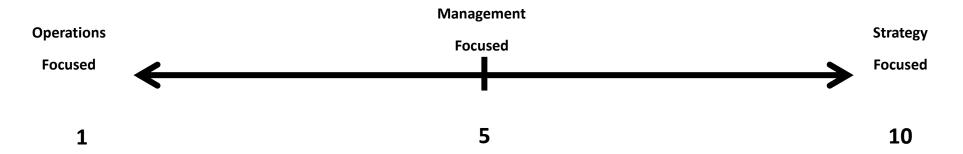
2. **Determine the desired state:** Do the same thing as the first step, but this time have each board member write down a number that relates to where they think the board **should be** spending its time. Calculate the average and note that number on the continuum below.

## Where should the board focus its time?



3. **Determine the gap:** In different colors of marker, note the averages determined in the last two steps. Then highlight the space between those two points. That is "the gap."

## Where does the board spend their time? Where should the board focus its time?



- **4. How to close the gap:** As a board, discuss the following questions:
  - What are our opportunities for improvement? How could we close that gap?
  - What might look different about our board agendas/board meetings that would get to where we want to be?
  - What could be different about the expectations of me as a board member?
- 5. **Commitment:** Discuss the ideas generated out of the previous step. Then decide and make a commitment as a board to what you will do to close the gap. Then hold yourselves accountable to that commitment.