



Transition – an End Game

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TURNING RISK INTO OPPORTUNITY

“I’m in Transition”



Libby's Formula

- Volunteer – 2 hours/week
- Buy index cards
- Schedule workout -30 mins/day
- Sign up for an on-line course
- Form an LLC – Me, LLC
- Lunch/Coffee - 1 per day
- Start lessons – creative or artistic



Reality Check!

Pros

Work schedule / timing

Work that adds value

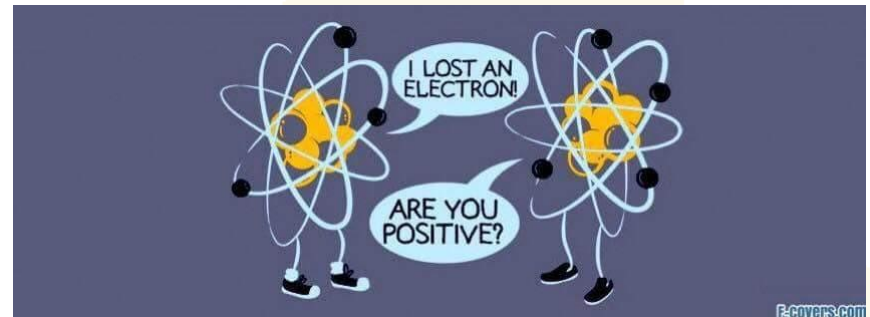
No corporate politics

Expanded worldview

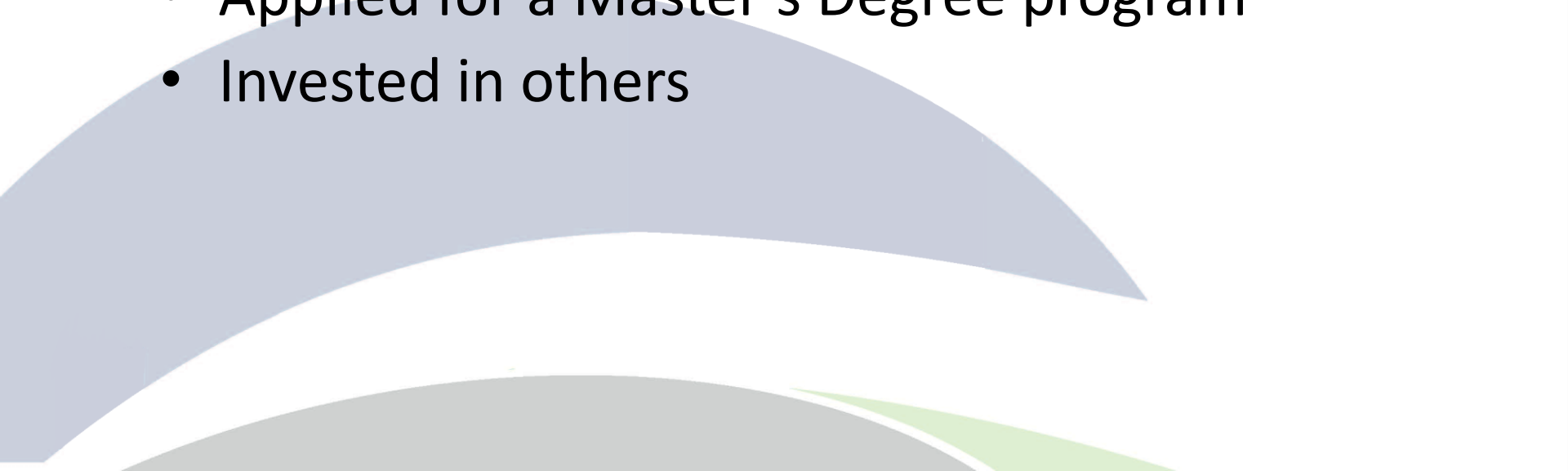
Cons

Not being paid

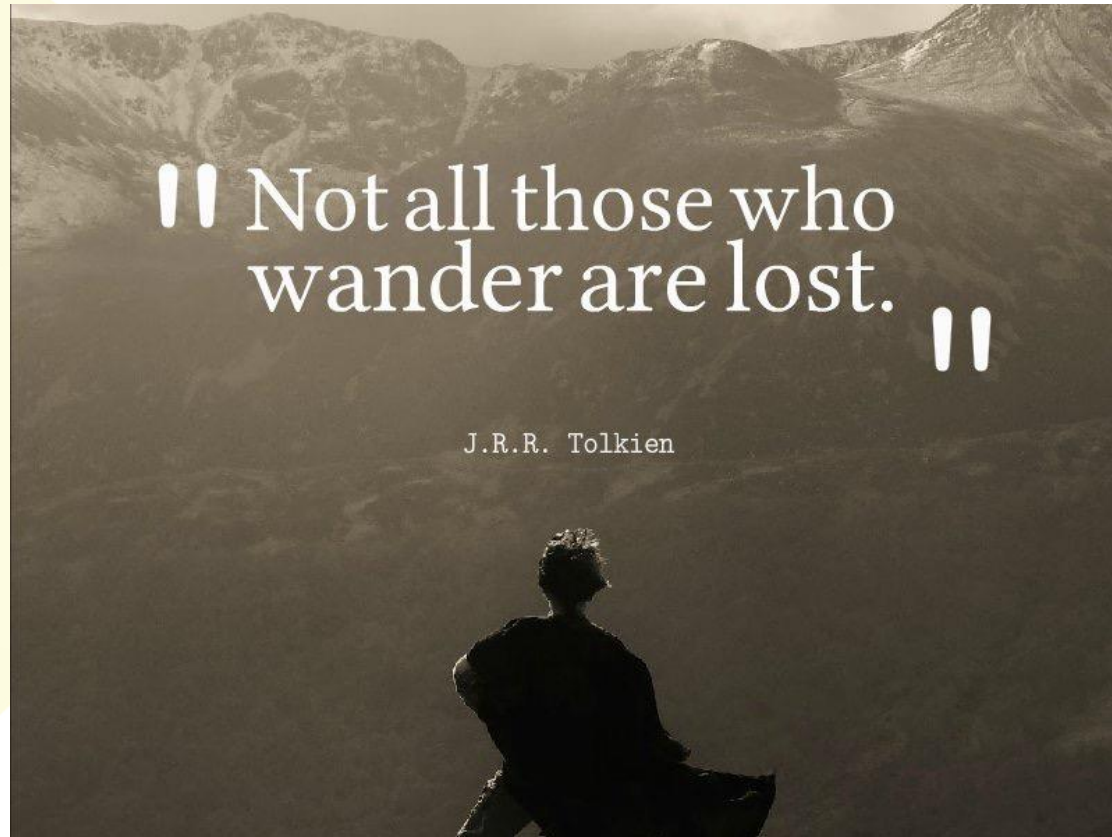
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Plan – Do – Check - *Act*

- Consulting – dipped a toe in
 - Found a Partner – started a business
 - Looked for a Board Director role
 - Joined a Non-Profit Board(s)
 - Applied for a Master's Degree program
 - Invested in others
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End Game (for now!)



Sustainability

Business and society flourishing through responsible use of natural resources

- Sustainability IS Innovation
- Thriving, lasting, improving, caring
- Long term view - decades

The Roles

- Sustainability Practitioner – Works in or with the business to ensure all things sustainable
- Consultant – Develops sustainability strategies
- Chief Sustainability Officer – Corporate level sustainability conscience, promoter of sustainability strategies, Sustainability PR
- Business Leader – Insight for sustainable decision-making, work environment

Sustainability Career Pathways

- Courses of study – project management, business and finance, social and behavioral science
- Operational experience is mandatory
- Business leader/decision-maker
- Thought Leader – writer, speaker

Lessons Learned

- Likability trumps status
- Know thyself
- Seek and accept advice
- Don't swing at the first pitch
- You are never too... old, young or set in your ways... to try something new
- It's just money





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