CHAPTER 5  
CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

This chapter presents the conclusion of the study deals with principal’s leadership styles toward teachers’ job satisfaction and teachers’ intention to leave presented in Chapter 4 and some suggestions for pedagogical purposes and future research.

5.1. Conclusion

After analyzing and categorizing the data, the writer summarizes some points. First, it deals with the principal leadership styles. The second deals with the teachers’ job satisfaction and the third deals with the teachers’ intention to leave.

The first research question is related to the leadership styles practiced by the principal of Joy English. From the collected data of questionnaire and interview, it is found that the principal of Joy English tends to possess four traits of transformational leadership. First, she is distinguished by her capacity to inspire and provide individualized consideration, intellectual stimulation and idealized influence to her subordinates. Second, she creates learning opportunities for her subordinates; motivate and stimulate them to solve problems. Third, she possesses great visioning, rhetorical and management skills to develop strong emotional bonds with subordinates. At last, she always looks for adaptive solutions to engage hearts and minds in the change process.

Second research question is on how the principal’s leadership style affects teachers’ job satisfaction. Among five teachers, two feels satisfied supervised by the principal. However, three of them do not feel the same. They do not feel comfortable working with the principal and being led by
her. Supervision, individual personality characteristics, and effective communication play significant roles for job satisfaction and also transformational leadership. One of teachers felt that principal supervised her too much. This is caused by different individual personality characteristics of teachers that lead them perceived the principal’s supervision differently. Other teachers felt that the way principal forms a decision put them in unpleasant situation as principal puts customers over teachers. The principal’s decision is done for the growth and sustainability of the Joy English. However, the effective communication does not work well so that teachers do not see the same way as the principal does. Thus, teachers do not feel satisfied toward her principal’s leadership styles although the principal owns transformational leadership styles.

In accordance with the teachers’ job satisfaction, three of five teachers plan not to work longer in Joy English, dealing with the way principal leads them. This answers the third research question on how leadership styles affect teachers’ intention to leave. They also have input for the principal’s leadership style because they think the principal’s leadership styles need to be improved.

To conclude, through the exploratory study on principal’s leadership styles of Joy English, the transformational leadership does not bring positive impact on teachers’ job satisfaction. Instead, it increases teachers’ intention to leave. Supervision, individual personality characteristics, and effective communication affect the teachers’ satisfaction and their intention to leave.

It is proven from teachers’ response toward things they dislike about the principal (see Appendix 2–Q11). Transformational leader tends to encourage, motivate and give suggestions. However, the principal of Joy English give suggestions that are impossible to do and her decision mostly
put teachers in an unpleasant situation as stated by T2 and T4. Two teachers even talking about her being unfair in treating teachers and the principal puts parents over teachers. Thus, teachers felt less appreciated (see Appendix 2–Q17) or dissatisfied on their job and intended to leave.

5.2. Suggestions

Based on the findings of this study, the writer suggests that a good transformational leadership should emphasize more on the effective communication, especially in envisioning subordinates. Leader should embrace the opportunities without leaving the subordinates behind.

One suggestion for the principal of Joy English, since transformational should happen within the whole organization, considering teachers’ suggestions is the must-thing to do. Listening to their opinion and giving them factual suggestions are two ways that the principal can do to minimize teachers’ dissatisfaction and their intention to leave. By giving more reliable suggestions, they can perform better and perceive better job satisfaction.

Besides, other critics are opposed toward salary. Teachers who intend to leave stated that salary also plays an important consideration for them. This should be put into a consideration as subordinates’ wealth may affect their performance and job satisfaction. As one teacher said, when she was well paid, she dared to give more than the principal deserved.

For the further study, the writer suggests that the concern of the study will be broader than this study as the writer only concern on the teachers’ job satisfaction and intention to leave. Therefore, for the future study it is expected that the study will put more variables as the determining factors of leadership, such as teachers’ perception toward job and their performance.
Another suggestion deals with the subject of the study. In this study the writer chooses only one principal to be examined. Thus, the future study should take more than one principal to be explored and examined for a better result.

Those are all the suggestions for a better future study on the effect of principal’s leadership styles toward teachers’ job satisfaction and intention to leave.
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