THE BASECAMP MANIFESTO

QUESTIONS FOR GAINING PERSPECTIVE ON OUR DANCE FLOOR / QUEST REALITIES

TWO SELF-CHECK QUESTIONS

WHO AM I?

Life Purpose

Gifts - Talents / Abilities - Special skills

Values

Wiring

Ask here, "Am I honoring well who I am?"

HOW AM I DOING?

Take time to ponder your own functioning. How is it with your soul, mind, body, spirit, key relationships? Any red flags or warning bells being raised?

FOUR CONTEXT-CHECK QUESTIONS

WHAT ARE MY ROLES?

Detail here the various roles you occupy in life. What is the self-framed and/or agreed upon role or job description that you follow? "How am I doing in terms of honoring and stewarding well my entrusted roles?"

WHAT ARE MY/OUR OBJECTIVES AND GOALS IN THE NEAR AND FAR TERM?

Have in hand the strategic actions and goals that you are focusing on. How am I / are we doing in moving our key result areas forward in a right way?

WHO AM I RESPONSIBLE TO ENCOURAGE, EQUIP, AND LEAD?

Frame here a complete picture of your relationship circle, staff, volunteers, or board members, and include in this framing the gaps or vacancies wherever they exist. This is where we ask ourselves the question – How are they doing? From the balcony, you are seeking to tend well to the condition of the community.

WHAT IS ON THE NEAR AND THEN DISTANT HORIZON THAT I NEED TO THINK ABOUT?

Frame here some of the realities that stand out in your internal and external reality that deserves attention, thought, and dialogue in your circle. What opportunities and threats exist? What is on the periphery of our field of vision that might be an important signal to us? Is there anything we are pretending not to know.

ONE TRACTION QUESTION

WHAT'S IMPORTANT NOW?

Out of your balcony time, determine four vital action points for the week ahead. What are the most important actions, conversations, decisions, or interventions that arise from your reflection from the balcony? Among the mix of action you could take in the next week, what would be four actions that will have the most impact on the health, flourishing, and success of your work in the world? Think of this step as getting into a very well equipped 4×4 that can move through the roughest terrain and get you to where you want to go. This is your 4×4 ! The thinking here is that a weekly point of focused reflection resulting in four "most important" action steps, cascades to a month, quarter, and a year where your energy has been applied to those things that cannot wait and must be addressed for your work to be at its best