

Generative Question List

- How do we work at the boundary (internally and externally) to increase our exposure to cues and clues about our organization and our environment?
- What was the most important problem we tackled in the last year? What was the most important lesson we learned in the process?
- What are we overlooking at the organization's peril?
- What is the most valuable step we could take to be a better board?
- Do we have the problem(s) right? Are we asking the right questions?
- What is our niche? How do we leverage our niche?
- What assumptions are embedded in our actions and/or our choices?
- Why are we successful? Are we doing the right things in the right way?
- On what list do we want to rank #1?
- What are our 3 greatest assets? Name 2 hidden assets.
- What is distinctive about our organization? Is that quality/service becoming more or less valuable in the world in which we work?
- How must our board operate differently in order to provide leadership during these changing times?
- How do we create strategic alliances to support our goals?
- How can we anticipate changes in the environment that may affect our plan? How might we adapt?
- Which conversations are you trying to create?
- Are our behaviors reflective of our values?
- How will you know it has succeeded? How will we measure success/progress along the way?
- What intersections/boundaries do we need to cross in order to innovative?
- What stories do you want to tell?
- How do we capture unanticipated outcomes/opportunities?