**Boise Bicycle Project (2007 – 2017)**

**Our Mission**

BBP is a community-oriented cooperative that promotes the personal, social and environmental benefits of bicycling. We function as a bicycle recycling center as well as an educational workspace in a diverse and non-threatening atmosphere. Through education and access to quality affordable bicycles, we strive to build a stronger bicycling community.

**Our Vision**

We believe that Boise has the potential of being the “Bicycle Capital of America.” We are doing our darnedest to help it reach that potential everyday.

**Dear BBP Employee,**

*We hired you because we believe* ***you*** *have the ability to help BBP accomplish and enhance our mission and vision. We know the job is challenging at times, but the impact that has been created over the last 10 years is undeniable. Everyone should be extremely proud of the hard work and dedication they’ve invested.*

*This is year 10, and as always, it will be fully packed, it will be impactful and packed full of fun. One of the most exciting things about 2017 is the new tool we have in our expanded building that is almost complete. For the first time since we bought the building 6 years ago, our staff and our volunteers will have the opportunity to physically construct the shop of our dreams. In February we will be nailing boards on the walls, building new tool benches and creating an environment to further our Vision for Boise. We are truly living in a Historical (capital H) time for BBP, Boise, and our Country. The opportunities for impact are limitless.*

*So now I need you to do a few things to prepare for the year. I really believe these things will make a difference in the journey ahead.*

***First****, take a look at this pledge and tell me what you think. We can edit this as needed, but I’d like to include it in our Annual Report, and I’d like it to be something we can all agree on.*

**A Pledge, a Promise, and A Commitment**

It has always been part of BBP’s Mission to create an educational workspace in a diverse and non-threatening atmosphere. In what seems like a Historic time of uncertainty and division in our country we are doubling down on that commitment. When you enter our doors, you are entering a place of love, empathy, and community. While inside you will be treated with the same amount of respect and regard as everyone you’re sharing the shop with. When you leave our building we hope to send you with the tools and confidence to connect to your next opportunity on two wheels. This is our pledge, promise, and commitment to the community.

**Please Check One Below**

[ ] I’d sign on to this pledge.

[ ] Jimmy, I’m not sure if I feel comfortable with this pledge, let’s talk.

[ ] I’d like to change, edit, add, delete the following…

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***Second,*** *in the last couple of years I may have had you write a personal mission statement. If you did, great, look it over and see if it still rings true or if it needs to be altered. Maybe you need to start over from scratch, and that is fine to. If you haven’t made one yet, use the space below to make a personal mission statement (the principals that you live by and guide your daily decisions). Think about the values that are most important to you and that help define your character. Often times it better to focus on* ***why*** *you do things, not what you do. There is no correct format for this. Could be a list of words. Could be a paragraph. Could be anything. I’ve include mine below incase you need an example. You can also find it posted above my desk.*

*\*\*\*This is yours and can be kept as private or public as you feel necessary.\*\*\**

**Your Personal Mission Statement**

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**Jimmy’s Mission Statement**

*I have chosen a life as leader and choose to lead by example. There are things that I cannot control but I can control myself and I can choose stop or slow things down and base my decisions and reactions on values that I will be proud of in the long run. I will look for qualities of leadership and learn from others. I will look for the positives and genius in the people I meet. I will listen, I will learn, and I will empower when I am able. Because I have been given an opportunity to teach, I must take advantage of every opportunity to learn how to better myself physically, emotionally, socially, and intellectually every day.*

***Third,*** *Now that you have your mission statement down on paper, I want you to think about how it relates to your position at BBP. Does BBP give you an opportunity to live and grow within your mission? Do they build upon each other? Or is there something missing, that I can help with.* ***If there is, let me know and I will help you find your place here.***

*I have 3 goals for all of our employees, and I need your help to accomplish these goals*

***My Goals for You****.*

1. *To provide empowering opportunities for BBP’s employees to make a difference in the community.*
2. *To foster a positive educational atmosphere where employees can gain knowledge and skills that create opportunities beyond BBP.*
3. *Do everything possible as an employer to help my employees accomplish their goals.*

***Your Goals for You.***

**In 2017, at BBP I will/want to… (1-3 things you want to work on/accomplish in 2017)**

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**When I’m done with BBP I will have…(1-3 long term goals, the legacy you’ll leave)**

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**What tools, resources, and opportunities can BBP/Jimmy/Charles provide to help you with your goals?**

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*Thanks for all of your hard work. People believe in BBP because they see a staff that works with a purpose. They like what we do, and they love* ***why*** *we do it.*

*My door is open (there’s actually no door). If you need help with this exercise or with anything else, let me know. We’ll go over this in early January during your employee review.*

*Ride On! & Keep Kicking Ass!*

*Jimmy Hallyburton , Charles Mitchell*