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Leading by example – It's only half the battle DrupalCon 2020 by Sandy Marsico, CEO of Sandstorm®

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### From humble beginnings...











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#### Sandstorm today:

- + Digital creative agency
- + Drupal Acquia certified
- + Enterprise-level Drupal dev team since Drupal 6
- + 3,400 hours of UX research
- + Onsite usability lab
- + Featured on CNBC, Fortune, Inc5000, 101 Best Places to Work













# A SMOOTH SEA NEVER MADE A SKILLED SAILOR.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT







#### conflict resolution in the workplace





I'm Feeling Lucky

#### LESSON #1

# Step up and speak up. You are what you tolerate.



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#### LESSON #2

Learn what is important to your team.





#### LESSON #3

Establish ground rules. Write them down.



DON'T LET THE DOOR HIT YOU ON THE WAY OUT.



# **HOW TO BE A SANDSTORMER**

Our core values Working together – our code of conduct How PTO works Tracking time off Client response times



#### **Client Response Times**

During a regular workday (versus a day off, holiday, etc) you are expected to respond to a client's email within 2-4 hours as often as possible, with the Sandstorm way being that you always respond the SAME day that they sent the email at the very least. This response time is a key value to working with Sandstorm, and creates the best client experience. Agencies are notorious for being email black holes, and Sandstorm will never be like the other Agencies.

(Of course, if they email you at night, assume the following workday for your reply.)



#### **Fridge Clean Up**

The fridge will be policed by our Front Desk Admin.

They are not going to do your dishes. Every Friday the fridge is cleaned out. If you want something saved, put a big note on it not to throw it away. Please don't eat each other's food unless you ask first.

Don't leave dishes in the sink please.



#### **Spell Check and Proofreading**

EVERYTHING in writing that comes from Sandstorm must be spell checked and proofread. This includes ANY and ALL email (internal emails, email to clients, vendors, prospects, etc), Facebook posts, tweets, texts, blogs, comments, client deliverables, creative concepts, reports, protocols, surveys, etc. ANYTHING with words must be spell checked and proofread.

Take a moment and read that again. Take your time, check your work. Review. Repeat.



#### **Answering the Phone**

Example ways to answer the phone:

"Hello, Sandstorm! This is name." "It's a great day here at Sandstorm! This is name." "Happy [day of the week] at Sandstorm! This is name."

An incoming call should NEVER go to voicemail during office hours.

#### LESSON #4

Define your values to work by, hire by and live by



There's nothing more powerful than a humble person with a warrior spirit who is driven by a bigger purpose





# **Be Curious**

Our lifelong learners have conducted **3,400+ hours** of in-depth interviews and usability studies. And every Sandstormer gets **\$1,000** each year toward pursuing their own professional development.



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LESSON #5 Celebrate your successes every month





Team NMMA - Max, Mel, Eric, Joe and Kathleen,

Thank you for all your hard work on the Acquia Discover Boating site. We're near the finish line, you got this!

You Rock! Amanda

### **Brace yourself**



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# ANDY Amazing work on the Federal **Reserve dev project!** Don't tell anyone we can build an interactive experience that fast. - NATHAN

# janna you госk!

Thank you for bringing your **creative and inspiring vision** to everything you do!

Your UX skills and design thinking helps us solve complex problems and develop intuitive solutions.



- Alma

You ROCK! Max

For turning around your Drupal dev tickets around so fast ...pretty sure I got whiplash.



- Nick

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. **#warriorspirit** 



# Let's connect :)

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