Questions To Consider To Create a Team Contract

Goals
1. What are the goals of the team?
2. What are your personal goals for this assignment?
3. What kind of obstacles might you encounter in reaching your goals?
4. What happens if all of you decide you want to get an “A,” but because of time constraints, one person decides that a “B” will be acceptable?
5. Is it acceptable for two or three team members to do more work in order to get an “A”?

Meeting Norms
1. Do you have a preference for when meetings will be held? Do you have a preference for where they should be held?
2. How often do you think the team will need to meet outside of class? How long do you anticipate meetings will be?
3. Will it be okay for team members to eat during meetings?

Work Norms
1. How much time per week do you anticipate it will take to make the project successful?
2. How will work be distributed?
3. How will deadlines be set?
4. How will you decide who should do which tasks?
5. What will happen if someone does not follow through on a commitment (e.g., missing a deadline, not showing up to meetings)?
6. How will the work be reviewed?
7. What happens if people have different opinions on the quality of the work?
8. What will you do if one or more team members are not doing their share of the work?
9. How will you deal with different work habits of individual team members (e.g., some people like to get assignments done as early as possible; others like to work under the pressure of a deadline)?

Decision Making
1. Do you need 100% approval of each team member before making a decision?
2. What will you do if one of you fixates on a particular idea?

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