



Running Meetings

Planning Office



NEIGHBORHOOD
ACADEMY

Where are we?

Getting Organized

- ✓ Introduction
- ✓ Neighborhood Outreach & Welcoming
- ✓ Community Workshops
- ✓ Developing Leaders
- ✓ Selecting Officers
- ✓ Bylaws
- Running Meetings
- Financial Administration & Compliance

Topics to Cover:

- Before the Meeting
- Parts of a Meeting
- Roles in a Meeting
- Making Decisions
- Facilitation Skills
- Before the Next Meeting



**What must be done
before a meeting?**



Before the Meeting

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- Enjoyment
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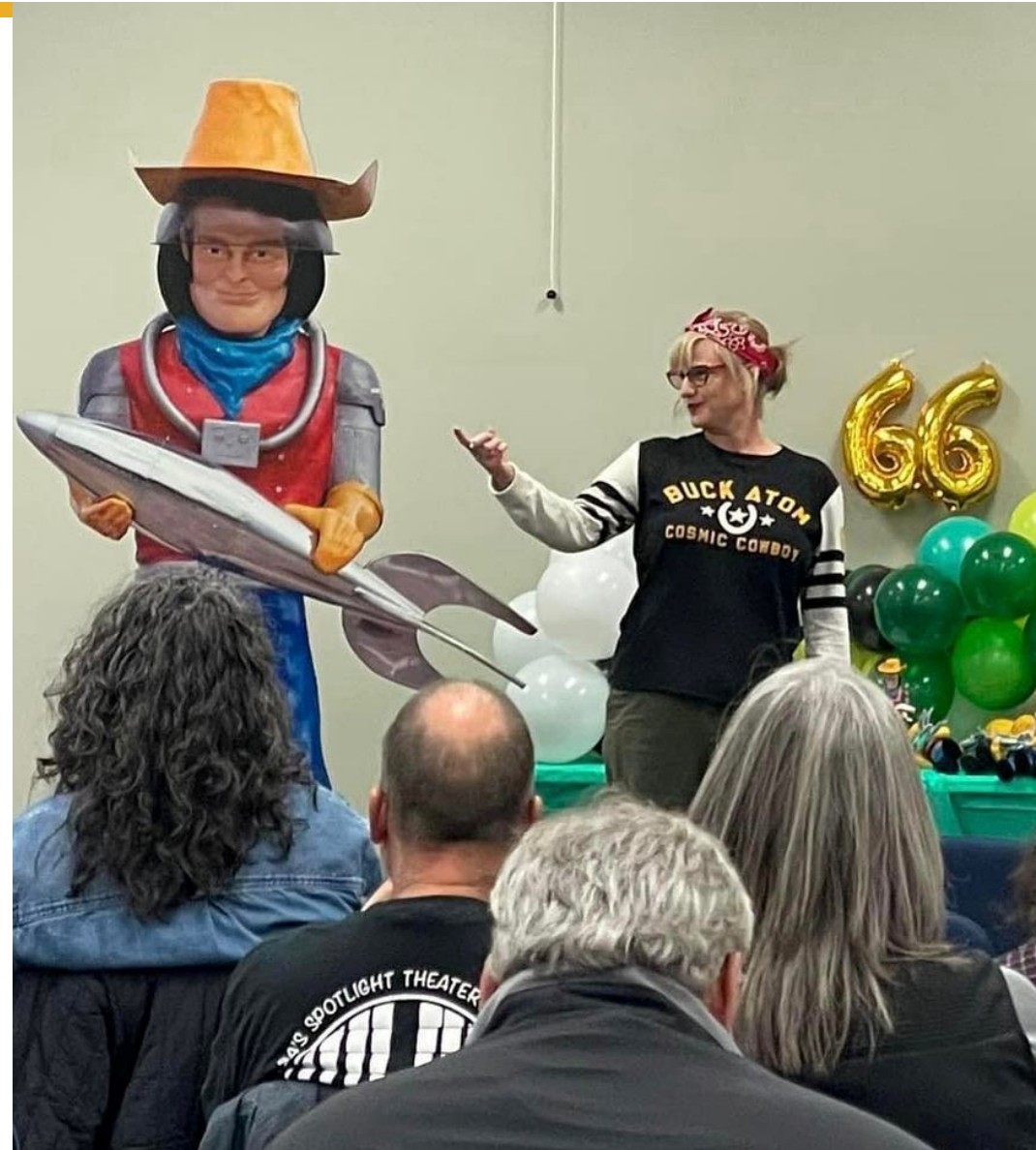
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= Agenda



Before the Meeting

Agenda Preparation

1. Approve Minutes
2. Reports
 - I. Financial report
 - II. Executive/President report
 - III. Committee reports
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Discussion



Before the Meeting

Agenda

Distribution

- Include meeting date, time, and location
- Distribute notices consistently



What are the steps of a meeting?



Parts of a Meeting

Follow the Agenda

- Call to Order
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- Reports
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- New Business
- Adjourn



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How do we distribute meeting responsibilities?



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- Secretary
- Treasurer (Mandatory Position)



**How do we
make decisions?**



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**What do we do
before the next meeting?**



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The Tasks

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- Communicate
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Facilitation Skills



Staying on Track

Achieving tasks

- Open & close assertively
- Make clear transitions
- Negotiate time investment
- Focus conversations
- Celebrate effort and success



Trust Building

Belonging & Participation

- Establish ground rules
- Ask, listen, and reflect back
- Be transparent
- Be inclusive
- Address confusion



Conflict Management

Working with dissent

- First, know yourself
- Diversity and dissent = challenge and potential
- Informal & offline channels
- Side talk: disruptive into constructive
- Handling outbursts



Building Consensus

Good enough to move forward

- Test your assumptions
- Create ways for people to voice themselves
- Respect dissent
- Seek alternatives and compromises
- Assert the conclusion



Activity: Scenario Challenge



Scenario Challenge

What would you do if...

You have 5 minutes and 2 important agenda items left to cover?



Scenario Challenge

What would you do if...

An embarrassing joke has been made by one neighbor about another?



Scenario Challenge

What would you do if...

A long-standing dispute between 2 neighbors flares up during a meeting?



Scenario Challenge

What would you do if...

You have a tied vote on an issue that's been discussed at length?



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Questions?



THANK YOU

