Meeting Skills

- Ground Rules
- Meeting Roles
- Meeting Process
- Agendas
- Meeting Tools

Ground Rules

- Practice not interrupting each other
- Work to include other's ideas
- Do unto others as you wish them to do to you
- Try not to repeat the same points-even if you didn't get the emphasis you hoped for the first time you said it
- Practice not defending previously held viewpoints-by suspending them for a while, you might learn something new
- Try not to be too nice at the expense of rigor-help the group progress in it's thinking
- Practice forgiveness for new ideas and ways of learning that don't seem to work as well as they might eventually
- Laugh a little

Participant

- Follow Ground Rules!
- Keep an open mind to new ideas
 - · Arrive early to start on time
 - Communicate with all staff to share progress and gain their interest and ideas
 - Have Fun!







Facilitator

 Manage the group process and ensure balanced participation by all members of the group.

 Alert the group when the discussion is not focused on the agenda.





Recorder

Keeps the visual record for the team and tracks the "next steps/action" and parking lot lists.



Timekeeper

Keeps the team on time through tracking time remaining for each agenda item and when necessary requesting the team to re-negotiate time to complete discussions and actions.

- Announce 1/2 way through the time
- Give a one minute warning
 - Tíme is up



7 Step Meeting Process/Agenda

- 1. Clarify aims: what we will get done
- 2. Review roles: leader, recorder, timekeeper, facilitator
- 3. Review agenda and determine time for each item
- 4. Work through agenda items
- 5. Review meeting record: review written record (flipchart, computer, whiteboard) make changes/additions, decide what to keep for meeting record
- 6. Plan next actions & next agenda: who will do what off line & aims for next meeting
- 7. Evaluate the meeting: went well, could improve

Reference

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