



NYCKI

New York District of Circle K International

Fantastically Fun Meetings

Need some tips and tricks to run a fantastically fun meeting? Well here are some ideas you can use to bring your meetings to life!

- 1) Organize an interactive powerpoint (possibly with Questions and Answers) that members can view and get involved with.
- 2) Have fun ice breakers at the beginning of the meeting!
- 3) Do "Happy Change" at the end of the meeting. Happy Change is a time where anyone can put in a little bit of change to say something that happened that was happy (or sad, or contemplative). This not only can help raise money, but allows members to speak up!
- 4) Have food! This is the easiest way to bring people to a meeting. Even if it is something as small as candy or cookies, those members will come running in if they hear you have food!
- 5) Show a video! In CKI, there are plenty of videos, including membership recruitment videos, videos about International Service Partners (like a video on the Eliminate Project), and much more. Use these to keep your members alive and awake.
- 6) Hold a service project at the end of the meeting. We're a community service organization, right? We should probably be doing community service then 😊
- 7) Ask various guest speakers to come in and talk. You can ask your Sponsoring Kiwanis Club's President to speak about the community, or a professor can speak on a specific topic. No matter what it is, it's nice to see a fresh, friendly, new face.
- 8) Hold a skype call to members from another club. Perhaps you want to show that CKI is more than just your club: it's an international community of clubs working together. Ask a president of another club (whether near or far) to skype in so that he or she can talk about service projects that a different club is doing!

Other things you can do to keep your members in the loop:

- Send out your agenda to your officers before a meeting, and distribute it to your club during a meeting.
- Send your minutes over the club mailing list at the end of each meeting.
- Send meeting reminders over your club mailing list the day before each meeting.
- Video record the meeting so that members who cannot attend can at least view the meeting.
- Have a calendar somewhere on campus (like posted up in a bulletin board) with a list of your upcoming events. This is not only good for publicity, but your members will know what events you are holding that month.

Think this way: If you were a member that was attending for perhaps the first or second time, what would you be **expecting** from a meeting, what would you **hope to gain** from the meeting and what would **interest** you about CKI? Meetings are more fun when you make them **interactive, informative** and **interesting** (consider that the 3 I's of a good meeting). 😊