

Byron Greens Fifteen Points of Safe Meeting Practice

1. Be here in good faith with the goal of what is in the best interests of the Greens
2. Come with good intentions to make the meeting succeed
3. Have the intention of reaching consensus and a commitment to consensus decision making
4. Extend goodwill to all participants
5. Try not to bring previous differences, difficulties and problems to this meeting
6. Be honest
7. Follow procedures laid down in the past which are known to be positive and successful
8. Try to listen without preconceptions, be open to new ideas
9. Show respect for others opinions
10. Address the issue not the person
11. No aggressive verbal or non-verbal interaction
12. No interjections or asides
13. Some of us can express ourselves better than others, try not to overwhelm with your superior oratory skills
14. If you don't want to listen leave the room
15. If you want to have a conversation, have it far enough away from the room for it not to disturb the participants.