

EVENT: MFN Steering Committee Meeting, April 12, 2005.

<p>Rational Aim Carefully consider the MFN’s reason for existence, see the 2004 Future of MFN Work Session report on governance, Document 2. MFN Policies, Section II. Governing Process, Policy #2: Governing Style, Item 6, page 2.4.</p>	<p>Experiential Aim Generate excitement and commitment for growth and active change. Release anxiety and create anticipation.</p>			
<p>Prelude (Context) Opening remarks by C. Haydock and J. Farrell.</p>	<p>MOVEMENTS</p>			<p>Postlude (Closing) Administrative Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March event “Celebration: Organizational and Personal Practices” meeting notes, financial and Evite poll results. • Treasurers of handwritten deposits and withdrawals. • MN Secretary of State filing number 1J-815 completed for 501(c)(6) nonprofit entity in good standing. • Martha Sanbower memorial. • New and renewing members Jill Goski and Paul Nelson. <p>Closing remarks by C. Haydock and J. Farrell.</p>
<p>5 min</p>	<p>I Forming Our New Group See attached focused conversation “Organize to rejuvenate MFN.”</p> <p>40 min</p>	<p>II Program Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Networking • Topic Selection • Open forum framework • CPSI June 26–July 1st • IAF Report Out • Other <p>30 min</p>	<p>III Next Meeting Agenda design focused conversation.</p> <p>ODNet Partnership</p> <p>15 min</p>	<p>30 min</p>

TOPIC: Organize to Rejuvenate MFN—Inspired by Brian R. Stanfield, *The art of focused conversation*, (New Society and ICA Canada, 2000), Conversation B9, *Organizing an in-house service group*, p. 79.

<p>OPENING It's been about six months since the rejuvenation process started at the October 2004 Wall of Wonder event. We're still in the midst of many changes and uncertainties about the future. Let's reflect on the steps we've taken so far and try to identify some of our personal learnings as well as what we've learned about ourselves as a team.</p>	<p>RATIONAL AIM Reflect on the first steps we have taken towards rejuvenating MFN. Develop the Steering Committee team.</p>		<p>EXPERIENTIAL AIM Generate excitement and commitment for further work.</p>		<p>CLOSING Thank you, thank you, thank you, now lets move on to thinking about upcoming programming.</p>
	<p>OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are some of the personal or professional issues that moved you to become involved in this project? • What are we out to have happen? How might we be different inside? • Whose idea was this project in the first place? What project related conversations or events over the last six months spring to mind? Who else is interested in this project? <p>Note: Seek quick ideas. Perhaps expressed only in words and phrases.</p>	<p>REFLECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What images do you have of the outcome of this project? • What are the advantages of having such a group or organization? • What might be the disadvantages? • What other feelings or images do you have about our work so far? 	<p>INTERPRETIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What personal learning question am I seeking to answer? What are my personal foundation growth opportunities? • Where have we been and where are we going? • What are some of the existing tensions and contradictions? • What range of outcomes would we call success? 	<p>DECISIONAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can we get more support for this project from other people? • What are the next steps towards this project off the ground and keeping it flying? • Who will need to implement these actions? • When should we meet? And where? • And who should be present at this next meeting? <p>Note: Again only quick thoughts.</p>	
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