

Handle Zonta Conflict and Difficult People

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Conflict in Zonta

- ❖ What is it?
- * What causes it?
- * How do we deal with it?
- * What happens?





Why is Conflict Such a Problem?

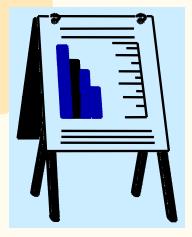
- Baggage from the past—conflict is bad
- Gender issues with conflict—nice girls don't get angry
- Conflict approaches—fight or flight





Typical Club Conflicts

- Identify recent club conflicts
- Clarify the issues (be brief)
- Describe how handled
- Determine if positive or negative
- Use scribe
- * 10 Minutes







Conflict Approaches

- Avoid
- Accommodate
- * Compete
- * Compromise
- Collaborate







Pros, Cons, Outcomes

- Avoid—no change
- Accommodate—lose-win
- * Compete—win-lose
- * Compromise—lose-lose?
- Collaborate—win-win







Difficult People

- Distinguish between behavior and personality
- Address behavior respectfully
- * Focus on the issue
- Avoid evaluation or judgment
- State desire to work together





To Achieve Win-Win

- * Identify conflict
 - Determine differences
 - Uncover interests
 - Diagnose Conflict
 - Follow Process
 - Brainstorm, Evaluate, Modify
 - Resolve and Follow up







Language to Avoid

- * "You"
- * "Always"
- "Never"
- "Yes But"
- * "Why"







Choose a Conflict







Analyze the Conflict

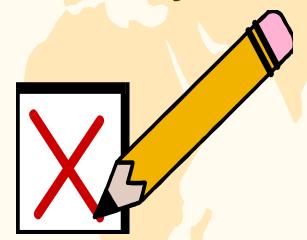


- What's your perception of the issue
- What's the other's perception
 - √ What concerns do you (others) have
 - √ What is really important to you (to other)
- List and prioritize your (other's) interests
- What are common interests



Interest vs. Position

"Position" is WHAT you want



"Interest is WHY you want it





Diagnose the Conflict



- Facts—truths or information that is known, can be observed, or proven
- Goals—end results or desired outcomes chosen or assigned
- Methods—ways to achieve the goal
- Values—deeply held beliefs, ideals or principles





Conflict of Facts

- What are the facts?
- * What is the source of the facts?
- Do we have the same facts?
- Do we interpret them the same way?
- What source can we accept?



Conflict of Goals

What are our goals?

Do they differ?

Solution is a series of the series of the



Conflict of Methods

- * What are our methods to achieve the goal?
- * How do they differ?
- * What other methods exist for achieving the goal that will benefit us both?





Conflict of Values

What values are in conflict?

* How can we protect one another's values?





Resolving Conflict

- Generate as many additional ways as possible to achieve goals—be wild and crazy
- Evaluate and eliminate any that are not win-wins
- Modify and combine to reach best possible solution



Final Steps

- Formalize resolution
- Agree to a plan
- Follow up on how it worked
- Follow up on relationship







Difficult People

- Distinguish between behavior and personality
- Address behavior respectfully
- Use assertive "I Statements"
- Avoid evaluation or judgment
- Celebrate the differences





"I Statements"

- Begin with "I" to take ownership
- Add a feeling to describe impact
- Provide reason for feeling
- * I (feeling) about _____because____
- Add what you want
- Explain consequences





Examples

- I'm worried about the people who don't respond because I don't know if they support this or not.
- * I'd like to take a poll of the group on this issue.
- * How do you all feel?
- * What other options are there for getting full support?



For Success

- Deal with conflict early on
- Do it out in the open
- Include all involved
- Confront issues without being confrontational
- Avoid making others defensive
- Remember what Zonta is about



