

Covenant for Committee and Group Meetings

- I respect the circumstances and contributions of others, trusting each person's good intentions.
- I accept and respect those with differing opinions, and I am willing to learn and change.
- I accept that silence from anyone on any topic is okay.
- I will refrain from interrupting or interpreting whoever is speaking.
- I will cultivate attentive, active listening-listening to understand, suspending judgment and asking for clarification if necessary.
- I will go directly to a person I have a problem with and to no one else.
- I keep confidential information just that – confidential.
- I will try to say what I mean – clearly and politely – in the spirit of community.