

Association of Leadership and Values

NAYSAYERS, CRICKETS AND WHINERS” WORKSHOP ACTIVITY RESULTS

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“THEY” WON’T LET US

It’s worth a try. See if you can come to a mutual decision
Let’s do some research and find out!
The school isn’t out to get us. They’re a resource
Well, let me check w/ police and then we can know for sure
How could we change it to get their support?
Why don’t we ask first?
As long as you contact the police beforehand about noise or traffic, they will be aware
Have you asked them?
Why would you think that? How could we get them to agree?
Let’s change their minds!
You won’t know until you ask
I actually emailed all of them and they okayed it
I’ve already done the research we are fine
We won’t know until we try
Why don’t we ask them?
We have to ask for them to turn it down
Well we will ask before anymore planning to make sure!

THERE’S A SCHEDULING CONFLICT

We can make it work
This can better our chapter
What date would you suggest to eliminate the conflict?
Make time
You know your schedule for sorority ahead of time. Plan around it
All schedules conflict. There is no perfect time for anything
Let’s reschedule
What are you busy with; can you get here asap?
You made a commitment to this organization so reevaluate your priorities
We post our calendar for the semester on GIN, you shouldn’t have conflict now
What is a good time notice to let you know?

THERE’S NO GOOD PLACE FOR IT - WE DON’T HAVE A VENUE

Why don’t we try a NEW venue we’ve never used?
We can research off-campus venues
Look for a new one, co-sponsor the event
I already have a venue in mind
You’re wrong



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WE'RE TOO SMALL - WE'LL NEVER GET ENOUGH PEOPLE TO HELP

Think how great it will be when we do accomplish this
Get non-members
Have a recruitment workshop and initiate more members
Everyone do it
Ask other student organizations for support
We can only get bigger
There are plenty of alumni and other chapters we can ask to help
You don't know that
Any help would be appreciated, especially if we don't have that many people, so I would love it if you contributed
That's what sisters are for!
Branch out to other chapters / orgs
If everyone helps we can
You are so dumb. You are really dumb. For real.
If you go around seeking the bad in everything, you'll never see the good.
If you think we're too small, we can team up with another chapter or club to increase our numbers and make it a better event
If we work together it will work
The smaller the better. The underdogs pulling something if is always better!
If we're passionate we'll get help
Dynamite comes in small packages
Let's research more
We just have to work harder
You don't know that
It doesn't matter about the #'s, it matters about the effort
If everyone helps, then the task is more achievable
Why won't it work?
We might be small but I know we have enough support to get it done.
If everyone helps we can

IT'S NO USE - IT'LL NEVER WORK

Not w/ that attitude
It'll work just give it time
You never know unless you try
We don't know it will fail unless we try
Doesn't mean we cannot do it now
If you're negative then it really won't work
Have faith in your peers; if you don't they won't
We'll never know if we don't try. You should help plan it to be more effective.
I'm sorry you feel that way, but it has been decided that we are going to try this
How do you know it won't work if we don't try?
With that attitude it won't work
If we work together, it just may work
How do you know that? WE should make a better plan and then it will work!



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IT'S GOING TO BE TOO EXPENSIVE - WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY

Then plan an effective fundraiser
We can fundraise or ask the school for financial assistance
Let's make a budget, crunch some #'s, and see if it is doable before we throw the idea out
Apply for funding from Greek office, student activities, etc.
Only find out by trying
Fundraise! It's Easy!
We can do a fundraiser
If you feel that way what is your solution
Maybe there's a way to budget better. We can always apply for school grants to help pay for it.
Don't worry about money in this situation
Let's raise money
We can see where we can get money from fundraising
Do you have a fundraiser idea?
Yay fundraising!
We can raise \$ or ask for a co-sponsor
We can afford it
Well, let's see if we can raise the money
Fundraise, Fundraise, Fundraise.
Time to call Daddy

I DON'T UNDERSTAND - IT MAKES NO SENSE.

How can I explain it so you will understand?
If you would open your mind maybe it would make sense
It does make sense; just listen to what's being said
Just ask questions nobody minds answering
It's simple really, where are specific areas you need clarification?
Come talk to me and I'll explain
What do you not understand? I can explain it to you
Ask someone / sister in the chapter to explain it
Okay what parts? And let's see if I can help you understand.
I can explain it to you after chapter
What don't you understand?
If you give me what you don't understand go ahead and ask
How can I better explain it to you? I want to help you understand
Find another way to explain it
[explain it to them]
Ask someone in the chapter to explain more or have a one on one to take more time to explain
What makes you think that?
Tell me exactly what doesn't make sense. I want to understand you.
Let me explain it to you one on one
Do you have a specific questions I can answer? Or do you want me to explain it a different way?
Let us get together and discuss it.



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IT WOUNDS LIKE A LOT OF WORK

There are plenty of girls who are willing to help plan and take on most of the work, it's a great chance to get them involved
No one said being a frat star was easy.
If we do it together we can get it done
We can do it!
How would you be willing to help? (I.e. additional job, smaller responsibility, etc.)
Just because you want to be lazy doesn't mean it's okay
Buck up or shut up
It will be worth it
Of course it is...nothing plans itself
When you signed up did you think you weren't going to do anything?
Did you think the hard work will be more worth it then?
If we all do it together it will not be that bad
Stop being lazy
This is what our values stand for
If we can plan the details well and advanced
The more work the better the outcome!
It won't be much work if everyone helps
For something to be worth it, it takes time, hard work and dedication
Yes.
You get out what you put in
You joined this organization for a purpose, not just to wear letters and pay money
Well, if you get into teams, the work will not be that much
You joined a sorority to make a difference. Make an effort
Everyone can do more than one job and we will get it done
That's funny work is our middle name
It takes work to be the best we can be
You should want to work for your sisters
But it's worth the work
Then we all need to work together to accomplish this. Should we co-program?

FINE, DO IT. BUT I'M NOT GOING TO HELP.

Then please don't take credit if it does work
If you aren't going to help then why are you in the sorority
Why are you here then?
Over my dead body
Okay, I understand you won't help but why? What is giving you this attitude?
If you don't help you can't come
Shut up, you're a prick.
Don't be a part of an organization that requires sisterhood then
You're missing out on an opportunity to do something that could take our chapter in a new direction
Why not, you should want to help our chapter exceed. If not why are you even here?
By not helping, you are not being a good member
Why won't you help?
What would you like to do to help?



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NO ONE WILL SHOW UP / NO ONE WILL LIKE IT

With that attitude, you're always right!

Debatable

Not if we get enough guys

How do we know if we don't try?

We can't be sure what people will like until we at least give it a shot

It won't work if you don't try!

Let's do it better this time

We don't know that, let's find out.

You never know the outcome until you try it

If we do the work, use our connections and ask for advice from people outside, we won't fail

You won't

Let's at least present it to them

With that attitude we won't grow

Effective advertising, co-programming, positive attitudes

What could we do to make it more fun?

Why don't we take the time to ask people how they feel about it?

Give it a try; you never know what could happen

You have to try to find out

How do you know girls won't come if we don't give it a chance?

Get someone to go with

Why would you say that? Just because you don't like it doesn't mean no one will like it

PEOPLE WILL THINK _____ ABOUT US

It gets our name out there

If we have that stereotype, we can...change people's opinions

We know the truth

Why do you say that people will think _____?

You can't worry about what everyone will think because you can't please everyone. So let's worry about us and do the things that will be beneficial

People will always have opinions about us. We must live our ritual to ensure they are good thoughts

We have bad stereotypes already, what do we have to lose?

Let them think

People always think and give negative criticism. Don't let the haters win!

If our motivation is to improve our social standing with others, we are failing immensely

Don't worry about what others think, this is for us not them

If we work hard and do a good job that's what people are going to see. Not _____.

We don't have a perfect reputation as it is...we need a change

Who cares what they think of us

It's a way to put our name out there

It really helps us improve as a community

I CAN'T GO - I'M TOO BUSY

Plan ahead. Chapter time never changes

It would mean a lot to me and the other girls / guys if you came

What time would work better for you?



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I understand that you're taking on a lot, but you took the time to join this chapter and we'd appreciate if you could dedicate some of your time to making it better

We can see if there is another time that we can work out

This was scheduled in advance, so it shouldn't mess w/ your schedule

Can you re-plan your day around it?

With what? Everyone is busy

You have the time to go to the bar 4 nights a week!

This council / chapter needs to be a priority. Can you participate / contribute in another way?

We posted the calendar in January w/ plenty of notice (it was on the calendar)

It will only take 30 minutes

Learn to prioritize your time; we have to be able to count on you like everyone else

I'll show you busy!

You have notice; you can plan for this event

Tough

Time management

Everyone has things they could be doing instead of this

What are you busy with? Besides being busy with not fulfilling your responsibilities?

Make some time if it is important

Then you're too busy for this organization

You need to prioritize

Make time - it's important to all your sisters

I'm sure you're busy. I'm busy, everyone's busy. Sometimes you gotta do what you gotta do and your help will get us all out of here and make us less busy

Make time. Plan ahead

It's your duty as a member to support your chapter

You should make time for your sisters. You get out what you put into it

What else are you doing and how can we help?

Schedule ahead of time (after you get the email)

Greek organizations require your time

I can help you with whatever you're doing so you can help me later

Everyone has other obligations but you have an obligation to our chapter

Make time please

You have time for other trivial things so you have time for this

If this organization is important to you then you need to make time for predetermined obligations

Work on scheduling & time management

THE TIMING WON'T WORK: IT'S TOO SHORT NOTICE

You're right. I'll plan better next time.

We would procrastinate anyways

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step

Then keep your lazy a** home and do nothing.

The timing is short notice, but those who want to come will come. Those are the ones we want there anyways.

What is more important?

We can work around your schedule

Facebook events!



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IT'S TRADITION

Traditions change

Never hurts to try something new. Could turn out great.

Bull sh*t

Tradition is what our ritual represents. Not something that puts our chapter at risk

It's the 21st century, change it.

Let's make new traditions!

Tradition is not a valid answer. "Traditions" only last 4 years

Traditions Change

Sometimes tradition isn't what's best

So was slavery

Yes but it is not helpful. It causes problems

Tradition is pointless. I'd rather do something purposeful

Tradition doesn't mean it's right

Let's change our tradition

Did they do it in the 1900's?

We're trying to make new traditions

Just because we've always done it doesn't mean we always have to

It's fun to tweak traditions and make them better

Well times have changed and we can use the tradition as a starting point

No it's not, it's one year old

Forget about tradition, it's time for something new

Let's make a new tradition! We have to start somewhere!

Don't be afraid of new things

What did we achieve with the old ways last time?

How long have we been doing it? At some point someone changed to that

We can always start new traditions

Define tradition

I understand / appreciate your point; however exploring this new option could improve our chapter

So was beheading witches!

It may be tradition now, but people create new traditions every day

There's a first time for everything

Change is good

It doesn't make it right

I do not feel this tradition follows our values

Tradition is only what people have done in the past. Let's make tradition

That is what we are about

Traditions evolve. Progress is a part of success

That doesn't mean it's right

It's only tradition because no one stopped it.

Our chapter can't progress / grow if we don't make new traditions.

Is it really? How long does it go back? What values does it demonstrate? Where has this tradition brought us?

Traditions lie in your ritual, not in the events you throw

Don't maintain the status quo

Tradition does not mean it is good



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Progress is good
So was slavery
We'll make new traditions
Just because it is tradition, does it mean that it's a good idea?
Our traditions may have been wrong in the past. We can make new one.
Tradition, yeah so was slavery and that was terrible.

WE'VE NEVER DONE THAT BEFORE

Attempting something new is a success whether the project works or not
It's time to try something different
Let's try it this once and see how it goes
That's what makes it better. People will not expect it from us.
You never know until you try
That's why we want to change it
Put them in a minor/assistant position to help understand perspective
First time for everything
Let's see if there is any previous success and how they planned the event
Great! Let's do something NEW!!!
Change is good.
That is the perfect reason to do it, try something new, expand your reach
All the better!
Change is good.
Even though we've never done this, new things can turn out to be a great thing. It might create new revenue, bigger recruitment, or many other things. WE will never get better w/out change
There's a first time for everything
Change is good. It keeps us on our toes.
Well since times are changing, we have to make some adjustments
Trying new things is fun and could be better
New experience then
Change is never a bad thing
What's wrong with doing something new?



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THAT'S DUMB. BORING. SILLY. LAME

Maybe to you, jerk. I love it

Let's show some respect to your sister/brother and hear what they have to say

Okay what are some of your alternative ideas (constructive criticism)

Do you have a better idea?

It will make us look good

Not everything you do will be awesome

I think it's dumb that you're not considering the idea and being stubborn

I like it

If you try to have a good attitude you might enjoy it more than you think

Negative attitudes won't get you anywhere

How would you fix it?

Let's just try this once. If it doesn't work out, we can learn from our mistake

It could be cool if we all participated and have a good attitude

What do you think?

How do you know unless you try?

What would you like to do?

You're dumb.

Why do you think that, what is your solution?

Can you tell me why that's dumb?

You get out of this what you put in it!

Do you have a better idea?

Well then describe to me what's wrong with that idea

Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm

Even though your opinion may be that you don't like it, others might have another opinion

Just because you don't like it doesn't mean no one will like it

Why is it stupid?

Do you have any ideas you think would be better?

Why is it dumb?

Then what should we do?

I'm sorry that you feel that way but a lot of our other members should be included in this conversation



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