

Consultation Overview

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Today...

- Start talking about consultation
- Share our ideas – suggestions only
- Volunteers to read draft consultation plan and guide before next meeting
- Hear what you think

Why Consult?

- Regulation says Assembly must:
 - Consult with broad cross-section of Ontarians
 - Give public an opportunity to make oral and written presentations
- Important for Assembly to hear what other Ontarians think

Consult on What?

- What principles people value most in electoral systems
- What electoral system they feel best reflects these principles

When?

- Mid-November to end of January
- A few consultation challenges...
 - Has to start before learning ends and finish before deliberation begins (February)
 - Short consultation period
 - Over winter

Consultation Guide



- Consultation guide
 - Will include consultation questions and information on how to participate
 - Will be available to public once approved by Assembly on Weekend 3

Three Input Opportunities

- Presentations at public meetings
 - Propose 30 meetings over 6 weeks – Nov. 20, 2006 to Jan. 28, 2007 – with month holiday break in middle
- Written submissions
 - Oct. 16, 2006 to Jan. 15, 2007
- Additional outreach strategies
 - Informal consultation by you in your communities
 - Strategies for youth and others

What Members Might Do

- Public meetings
 - Attend at least one public meeting – closest to where you live
 - Introduce meeting (if you want), listen, ask questions
 - You will be paid \$150 for the meeting
 - Lots of support from Secretariat

What Members Might Do cont'd

- Informal consultation by members
 - Are there opportunities to consult informally in your community?
 - Talk to me about your ideas
- Written submissions
 - Read submissions or summaries (starting mid-Oct.)

Any Volunteers?



- At least 6 members needed to read draft plan and guide before next meeting
 - Participate in conference call
 - Connect by e-mail
- Members needed to attend extra public meetings, so at least 3 members at every one
 - Sign up next weekend

Consultation Materials

- In your binder (Consultation Tab)
 - Draft consultation plan
 - Draft public consultation guide
 - Proposed schedule for public meetings and members attending

Next Steps

- Plan and guide – read as much as you wish
- Weekend 2 meeting
 - Receive and discuss revised plan and guide (members' input incorporated)
 - Sign up to attend public meetings
- Weekend 3 meeting
 - Receive and approve final plan and guide, based on your input

Talk to Us

- There's a list of who to contact at the Secretariat on consultation issues on page 19 of the draft plan
- When in doubt, talk to your buddy