

Open Forum

Weekend 6, Learning Phase

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1. Meeting Notes

- Comments on meeting notes from our last meeting
- Approval of meeting notes

2. Feedback from Weekend 5

- Overall positive feedback for 5th weekend
- Members liked access to experts despite a long day
- Small group conducted in French was well received
- Members feel well prepared for consultation but would like more promotion of the public meetings
- Need to ensure all are heard in small groups

3. Follow-Up

Assembly Meetings

- Speakers' list
- Each weekend we will have either a bilingual or French-only small group session
- Facilitators are encouraged to ensure shared values are respected

4. Updates

- Student Assembly launched
- Referendum bill
 - 2nd reading
 - Commitment to public education

5. Principles

- Report on preliminary weighing of principles from last weekend
- Reasons for ranking some lower than others:
 - Relative importance
 - Principle follows or flows from others.
 - Lack of direct link with electoral system
 - All systems are generally the same when it comes to the principle

6. Objectives

Election Simulations

- Hands-on experience with ballot structures and voting methods
- Show how changing features of electoral systems produces different results
- Introduce you to what must be decided when designing systems

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Working Group Reports

- Hear from each group about research findings & issues

Graduation

- Group photo
- Learning phase graduation ceremony tonight. Program is in front of you.

7. Surveys

- Regular brief survey on Sunday
- More detailed survey on Saturday
 - To capture views at end of learning phase
 - Will ask again at end of consultation phase
 - Valuable to researchers
 - Time built in to complete

8. Consultation

Update

- Registered presenters
- Written submissions

... Consultation

Feedback from first week of consultation meetings

- Joyce Hughes (Brampton)
- Margo Bath (Oshawa)
- Pat Heenan (Mississauga)
- Laura Wells (Oakville)

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Comments or questions from members before we begin?