



GREATER HICKORY
INTERNATIONAL
COUNCIL

Meeting Agenda
Thursday, November 21, 2019
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Patrick Beaver Memorial Library
2nd Floor Meeting Room

Please notify Hani Nassar at hmnassar@gmail.com if you plan to attend

- I. Call to order.
- II. Presentation of the October 17, 2019 minutes
- III. Introduction of guests, Director Changes, and special announcements
- IV. Old Business
 1. Financials
 2. Non-profit
 - a. 501(c)3 update
 - b. Website
 3. Christmas Dinner – December 19, 6pm – 8pm @ Thai Lotus
 - a. Appreciation gift for Anne Starnes (HIC Minutes Clerk)
 4. International Christmas Concert – 10th Annual – December 21 6pm-8pm @ SALT Block
 - a. \$5,500 budget
 5. GHIC grants
 6. Model UN - March 10 & 11, 2020
 7. Children's International Film Festival – Spring 2020
 8. Future plans for the GHIC – 30-minute brainstorming session
- V. New Business
 1. GHIC retreat – Five Ws
- VI. Next Meeting: January 16, 2020. Place TBD.
- VII. Adjournment

Greater Hickory International Council
Mission Statement

“The mission of the Greater Hickory International Council is to act as a forum for the local and global international community and to act as a liaison between that community and the local governments in order to promote goodwill, mutual understanding, cooperation, education, and respect among citizens.”

Basic Brainstorming Rules

- RULE #1. Don't: Immediately get everyone involved.
- RULE #2. Don't: Put limitations on the brainstorming session.
- RULE #3. Don't: Shoot down ideas right away.
- RULE #4. Don't: Focus on the quality of ideas.
- RULE #6. Don't: Limit the ideation to one brainstorming session.

Steps

- Defer judgement. You never know where a good idea is going to come from.
- Encourage wild ideas. Wild ideas can often give rise to creative leaps.
- Build on the ideas of others.
- Stay focused on the topic.
- One conversation at a time.
- Be visual.
- Go for quantity.