



GIVING LEADERSHIP TO THE WEEKLY MEETING

STUDENT LINC

How the Weekly Meeting Team Fits into the Big Picture: The weekly meeting is the movement's opportunity to present itself to the campus. It must demonstrate the Mission, Vision and Values of Campus Crusade for Christ. It needs to balance between being inviting to the non-Christian and encouraging to the Christian. Although it is not the movement, it is the face of the movement. It is an opportunity to teach, align and encourage the movement and present the gospel to the campus.



ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF WEEKLY MEETING TEAM LEADER

1. This job will take 7-9 hrs/week (3-4 hours to plan or carry out tasks during the week, 4-5 hours on the night of the meeting). Each week, prepare announcements and meet with the emcees.
2. Stay on top of communicating with everyone who you're working with.
3. The leaders need to meet together to plan the weekly meeting every week.
4. Leaders must keep the team aligned with the ministry's Mission and Vision and the team's

Vision Statement, encouraging their team for their faithfulness and hard work. The weekly meeting should clearly reflect who we are.

5. Brainstorm as a team. DO NOT do things just because we have done them before. Be creative and try new things, take risks.

6. Delegate roles to faithful team members. Specific roles students play on the weekly meeting team are: Welcome and Greeters, Info Booth, Lights, Video, Testimonies, Slides, Sound Guys, Facilities guys to move chairs, Coffee and Food, etc. Recruit specifically for these roles.

7. Evaluate as a team. What are we doing well? What can we improve?

8. As a leader, you need to be recruiting and looking for ways to involve new members of your team. Discuss what the needs of the movement are with your team. Recruit at Fall Retreat and at weekly meeting.

9. Have a Weekly Meeting Team Appreciation/Vision dessert night once a quarter.

10. Attend Servant Team Meetings once a quarter and Vision Planning times once a quarter.

HELPFUL POINTS TO CONSIDER

Planning Meetings

- Debrief the last weekly meeting, Evaluate how well the meeting is staying on track with the mission and vision of Crusade



- Plan the next meeting and address any upcoming issues
- Prepare announcements
- Brainstorm and think outside the box
- Pray for the weekly meeting

Components of the Weekly Meeting

- Show up early on the night of the meeting to finalize details and prep
- Pray as a group for the meeting
- Choose speakers
- Coach emcees: align for each meeting and relay announcements
- Coach different people participating in the meeting—testimonies, anyone getting on stage, greeters, info booth, etc.
- Communicate with other teams to see how they use weekly meeting as a platform for announcing an event they are coordinating
- Make sure technical aspects are all in place

Talk Content for Weekly Meeting

- The Big 11: The Gospel Message; Assurance of Salvation; Having a daily Quiet Time; Confessing our Sin; Being Empowered by God's Spirit; How to Pray; Sharing Christ with others; The Great Commission; Biblical Community, Lordship of Christ; Eternal Perspective
- Take content from Cru.Comm and turn into a talk
- Talk series from Gospel of John or Ephesians
- Talk series on Attributes of God
- Biblical view of Sex and Relationships
- Intimacy (with God) series:

Roles of the Leaders

- Type up a schedule for emcees, speaker, anyone on stage, band, tech people during the meetings
- Manage the meeting, including feel and flow
- Gather announcements 48 hours in advance
- Contact Visual Arts Team if needed for posters/fliers
- Coach the emcees – takes time and effort; make sure they understand the “why” behind every announcement
- Communicate with other teams who are involved in a particular Weekly Meeting
- Buy supplies that may be needed such as markers or batteries
- Deal with people wanting a “piece” of the Weekly Meeting and be able to say “NO” to many requests
- Delegate tasks that can be done by someone else team member
- Delegate Greeter Coordinator to a team member

Things to Remember

- Use “in-house” staff speakers as much as possible
- Recruit teams of people to carry out elements of the meeting
- Get different students on stage throughout the year
- Emphasize that the weekly meeting is NOT Campus Crusade in its entirety, simply a component of the movement
- Observe needs of the movement and add elements in the meeting to address these needs (for example, speaker selection, topics, worship tone, and added elements) - We must first know where the movement as a whole desires to go and then set an agenda that can help accomplish this mission
- Seek to bring about change: think about involving the audience more, meet outside, and add different creative components from time to time
- It is important to have a detail-oriented person but the team needs dreamers, too

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WEEKLY MEETING PLANNING SHEET

Team Vision - To lead our movement to greater growth in the areas of win/build send on a weekly basis.

Pray.

Emphasis for the Week of :

Theme for this week :

Details regarding the content, who's responsible, and times for... (these might not all be done each week)

Meeting Intro - The vision of CRU is to see movements everywhere so that every student knows someone who truly follows Christ.

Announcements

Conferences/Projects

Speaker

Life story/Vision spot

Worship

What is the order of the meeting and how will we transition smoothly through its parts?

How will we advertise for this week? Who, what, when, where?

How will we pray for this week?



SAMPLE WEEKLY MEETING (CRU) EVALUATION—END OF YEAR

What is the vision and purpose of Cru? When has it best achieved that vision?

Good point of initial connection, Body Evangelism, unity of movement (ponds), alignment and vision, exposure to distinctives, spiritual refreshment and nourishment for students, momentum campus wide, place to hear the gospel, development of laborers and leaders, place for people to connect and “stick”, this fall was strong – distinctives were high, momentum was high.

What have been strong points at Cru this year? Weak points? What keeps more students from coming?

Variety of talks, hitting different distinctives, students sharing up front, good balance of fun and seriousness, increased student ownership, tried new things and venues, clipboards were mostly good, Jr. Ballroom worked out well. Too much moving around, auditorium, community building and connection, band – especially since Ho Sung, communication by the band during the meeting, need more humor. Band, moving around, length of Cru could be too long – keep it to 1:15 long, environment not aesthetically strong, student leaders don’t own Cru and don’t think about how they could help make it a good meeting, humor and crowd interaction is relatively low still

How has the band helped/hindered towards the vision? How have the emcees done? What is the overall feel from talks at Cru?

Better alignment with band could help, communication skills from the front.

Gotten better as a team, students keep asking to hear from those they don’t hear from, incorporated wider variety of type of talks, students like knowing what we are going to be speaking on (for a whole month).

To improve: creative elements, addressing defeaters, speaking with a prophetic voice

What has been under/over represented at Cru (student stories, videos, “distinctives”, movement vision, heart, humor, prayer, social connection, promotion and recruiting to events, other)?

More humor, still need more distinctives, present the mission at beginning of meeting: “everyone knows someone who truly follows Jesus.”

What should we do about venue and the cost?

Todd Auditorium is great, have lights lower and less on band during worship

What is one thing we should be sure to do/change in the fall?

Good band to start the year – one of the most important things to be “sticky”

Student leadership own meeting and be intentional while at Cru

Have prof share at first meeting

Shorter meetings with social attached afterwards – especially early in the year

Platform student leaders (and emerging leaders) at Cru more