

Opening remarks for the July 8, 2021 Planning and Evaluation Committee

Some ground rules especially valuable in a mixed in-person/Zoom meeting to maintain decorum and allow individuals an opportunity to be heard by all.

It is very difficult to listen to understand if several individuals talk at the same time. When done speaking please turn the time back to the chair, i.e. yield the floor. In that vein it is courteous to let everyone that wants to contribute have the opportunity to speak before taking a second turn. An exception is if a specific question is asked of you. Maybe someone would like you to clarify a point.

I have found it helpful to let individuals have an opportunity to share ideas before and as part of the criteria/rule making process, it allows for those establishing criteria/rules an opportunity to set the bar based on what is foremost in the group's collective mind.

And finally,

I believe we should always begin with the end in mind. Today will be mainly a report session. I don't believe there are any action items before us.

To this end we will first hear from Scott Somers with a discussion about the general charge to and description of the P&E committee from our governing documents.

