

Sponsorship and Donation Discussion Worksheet

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How to use this worksheet

Record the arrangement context, then work through each discussion question. Keep notes tied to their source and identify the reviewer or next action. Leave uncertain or conflicting information unresolved. The decision record is for the authorized reviewer; this worksheet returns no score or classification.

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Arrangement context

Field	School entry
School / receiving entity Field ID context.receiving_entity	
Prepared by / role Field ID context.prepared_by_role	
Date Field ID context.prepared_date	
Arrangement reference Field ID context.arrangement_reference	

Discussion questions 1 and 2

1. What support is proposed: money, property, services or another contribution?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.proposed_support.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.proposed_supportReviewer_next_action	

2. What is its stated purpose? Are restrictions proposed?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.purpose_restrictions.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.purpose_restrictionsReviewer_next_action	

Discussion questions 3 and 4

3. Who receives the support, and who has authority to accept it?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.recipient_acceptance_authority.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.recipient_acceptance_authorityReviewer_next_action	

4. What has been promised in proposals, messages or conversations?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.promises_sources.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.promises_sourcesReviewer_next_action	

Discussion questions 5 and 6

5. What exact recognition or promotional wording/artwork is proposed?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.wording_artwork.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.wording_artworkReviewer_next_action	

6. Are tickets, hospitality, exclusivity, brand rights or other benefits included?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.additional_benefits.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.additional_benefitsReviewer_next_action	

Discussion questions 7 and 8

7. Are payment amounts or other terms conditional on attendance, exposure or outcomes?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.conditional_terms.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.conditional_termsReviewer_next_action	

8. What component/value information does the financial reviewer need?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.component_value_information.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.component_value_informationReviewer_next_action	

Discussion questions 9 and 10

9. What approvals or questions remain unresolved before acceptance?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.unresolved_approvals.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.unresolved_approvalsreviewer_next_action	

10. Who approves the agreement, acknowledgment, invoice or receipt as applicable?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.document_approval.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.document_approvalreviewer_next_action	

Discussion questions 11 and 12

11. Where will the approved financial and advancement records be kept?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.financial_record_location.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.financial_record_locationReviewer_next_action	

12. Who owns benefit delivery, due dates, Evidence collection and separate verification?

Field	School entry
Notes / source document Field ID discussion.delivery_evidence_verification.notes_source	
Reviewer or next action Field ID discussion.delivery_evidence_verificationReviewer_next_action	

Authorized reviewer decision record

Completed by the authorized reviewer.

Field	School entry
Reviewer / role Field ID review.viewer_role	
Decision and applicable guidance/policy reference Field ID review.decision_policy_reference	
Open question / owner / next review date Field ID review.open_question_owner_review_date	

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IRS guidance on acknowledgment and advertising

<https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/advertising-or-qualified-sponsorship-payments>

IRS Publication 598

<https://www.irs.gov/publications/p598>

IRS quid pro quo guidance

<https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations/charitable-contributions-quid-pro-quo-contributions>

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