A-6: Parliamentary Procedure Skit-Denise Van Doorn

The Effective Student Council Meeting of the



"Cereal Celebrities"



Cap'n Crunch
Pebbles, the secretary
Honey Nut Bee, the treasurer
Frankenberry
Count Chocula
Sunshine

Silly Rabbit Toucan Sam Lucky Leprechaun Snap, Crackle, and Pop

The Cast:

Narrator (reads everything in italics)

Tony the Tiger Special K Dig 'em Quaker Oats Kool Aid

Directions:

Whenever a member speaks, he/she must be recognized by Cap'n Crunch first. Whenever a member of the Student Council is not recognized first, confusion and chaos will follow. To be recognized, Cap'n Crunch may call the member's name, point to him or her, or simply nod his head towards him or her.

The Setting:

All members of the Student Council file into the room quietly and orderly and sit in their seats waiting patiently for the Cap'n to begin the meeting.

Cap'n Crunch: "The meeting of the Cereal Celebrities will now come to order. Everyone please rise for the pledge."

Everyone stands and recites the pledge of allegiance.

Pebbles: Pebbles calls each person's name. Each answers, "Here." "Cocoa Puff is not present. He's in the hospital because he went cuckoo with a cocoa fit. I'm not sure where Kool Aid is. Since only two people are absent, there is still a quorum, and the meeting can continue."

Cap'n Crunch: "Would the secretary please read the minutes of the previous meeting?"

Pebbles reads the minutes.

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Cap'n Crunch: "Are there any corrections to the minutes?" *He recognizes Count Chocula as he has raised his hand.*

Count Chocula: "Yes, I'd like to make a correction. I am in charge of the haunted house committee, not Frankenberry."

Frankenberry: "No, I am," he blurts out without being recognized.

Count Chocula: "You are not!" *He also does not wait to be recognized.*

Cap'n Crunch: "Ahoy there, maties. Let's have a little order. Pebbles, will you please read the minutes from the last meeting, so that we can straighten out this problem?"

Pebbles: Looks through her minutes from the last meeting, finds what she needs, and reads: "A vote was taken and approved 15-6 that Count Chocula was to head up the haunted house committee as he had a drafty old castle with spooky decorations already in place."

Cap'n Crunch: "Thank you, Pebbles. The minutes stand approved as corrected. We will now have the treasurer's report."

Honey Bee: Sings to the tune of the Honey Nut Bee song in the commercial.

"We've got 500 dollars.

'Cause we sold some new dog collars.

We've got a long way to go,

To raise the right amount of dough."



Cap'n Crunch: "Thank you, Honey. Next, we will have committee reports." *Sunshine raises her ray.* "Sunshine, are you raising your ray?"

Sunshine: "Aye aye, sir. I'm just beaming about this week's special weather committee report." *All characters shade their eyes as if from the bright glare of sunshine.* "Here's the latest two scoops on the raisin crop. I was just talking

to the Sunmaid, and the grapes are shriveling nicely. They should be ready in two weeks."



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Cap'n Crunch: "Thank you, Sunny. We'll now hear from Lucky Leprechaun."

Lucky:

"I just wanted to update everyone on the contents of my cereal. The new purple horseshoes are on the shelves. So now we have (*in the middle of his report, Pebbles sneaks to steal one of the Lucky Charms*) pink hearts, yellow moons, orange stars, green clovers, blue diamonds, and now purple horseshoes." *After he finishes speaking, Pebbles reaches for the cereal and Lucky slaps her hand saying,* "Pebbles, you're always after my Lucky Charms! Stop it!"

Cap'n Crunch: "Pebbles, we will have order in this meeting. Remember, character counts, and you should not take things without asking. Thank you, Lucky, for your report. Now we will hear from the Silly Rabbit about the costume committee."

Rabbit:

"Our committee has come up with some excellent costumes for the dress-up day and some great ideas for the haunted house."

Toucan raises his beak.

Cap'n Crunch: "Sam."

Toucan: "Pardon me, but my nose has not led me to discover how we will use the money we raise from the haunted house project."

Rabbit raises his paw to reply and is recognized by Cap'n Crunch.

Rabbit: "The money will be used to buy the paint to repaint the Honeycomb Hideout in raspberry red, lemon yellow, and orange, orange."

Cap'n Crunch: "Thank you, Silly Rabbit. Are there any more committee reports?" *No one answers.* "Since there are no more committee reports, we will now turn to unfinished business."

Tony the Tiger: He raises his striped paw and is recognized by Cap'n Crunch. "At the last meeting, Special K voiced some concern about the high levels of sugar in breakfast cereals."



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Cap'n Crunch: "Is that correct, K?"

Special K: "Correct, Captain Crunch. My committee cohesively compiled conclusive data claiming that kids can't keep consuming sugared

cereal."

Dig 'em: Raises his webby foot and is recognized.

"Oh, be serial, I mean serious! I dig 'em sugar!"

Tony: "Yea, it's grrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr

Dig 'em: "Besides, our cereal provides eight essential vitamins, plus iron."

Cap'n Crunch: "I recognize your opinions, but please, you must be recognized first before you blurt out your opinions."

Dig 'em and Tony: "Sorry, Cap'n."

Quaker: Raises his hand and is promptly recognized by the Captain. "I

do not understand what all the concern is about. My cereal has

plenty iron without adding any excess sugar."

Snap, Crackle, and Pop: "Yeah, but you taste like paper

mache."

Cap'n Crunch: "Boys, boys, boys. What did we just say about raising your hand to be

recognized, and let's not forget our manners."

Snap, Crackle, and Pop: "Sorry, Cap'n. Sorry, Quaker."

Quaker: "I move that all sugar in cereals be replaced with iron."



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Cap'n Crunch: "Is there a second? *Silence*. The motion dies due to a lack of a second. Is there any more unfinished business? *Silence*. Hearing none, then the next order of business on the agenda is new business. The floor is open to new topics of discussion."

Toucan Sam: Toucan raises his wing and is recognized. "I make a motion that we organize a trip to the Fruit Blossom Festival in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico."

Quaker: Raises his hand and is recognized. "Toucan, you don't say I make a motion."

Toucan Sam: Toucan once again raises his wing and is recognized. "Okay, I motion that..."

Quaker: Quaker is recognized by the Captain. "No, you say, "I move..."

Toucan: Also is recognized by the Captain. "All right. I move that we organize a trip to the Fruit Blossom Festival in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico."

Count: Raises his pale hand and is recognized. "Where is that? Is it near Transylvania?"

Toucan: Recognized by a nod from the Captain. "I don't know. I just follow my nose. It always knows the flavor of fruit wherever it goes."

Cap'n Crunch: "It has been moved that we organize a trip to the Fruit Blossom Festival in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Is there a second?"

Sunshine: Raises her hand to be recognized. "I second the motion."

"Is there any discussion? Rabbit, I see your paw is raised."

Rabbit: "I can see it now. We're at the Fruit Blossom Festival. I am surrounded by raspberry reds, lemon yellows, and orange, orange!"

Cap'n:

Frankenberry: Raises his green hand. "How will we get there?"

Lucky: Raises his shamrock. "I'll make a boat, and we'll ride in my ship."

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Honey Bee: Raises her buzzing wing. "OK. Where will we stay once we arrive?"

Toucan: Waits to be recognized. My relatives run an econo-nest down there.

They'd be happy to put us up."

Cap'n Crunch: "Any further discussion? Yes, Special K."

Special K: "OK, Captain. The concept of a Caribbean cruise captivates me."

Dig 'em: His webby foot is recognized. "I agree. I just can't wait to get by the pool

and drink a nice tall glass of Kool Aid."

Kool Aid: Kool Aid suddenly bursts into the room with an, "Oh, Yeah!"

Cap'n Crunch: "Kool, you do realize that you are late and are being very disruptive? Please have a seat and wait

for your turn to speak."

Kool Aid: "It's cool, Cap'n. I just got excited. I

apologize for being late. It won't happen again."

Cap'n Crunch: "It has been moved and seconded that we organize a trip to the

Fruit Blossom Festival in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Is there any more discussion? *Silence*. Then a vote is in order. All in favor say, "Aye."

All: "Aye!"

Cap'n Crunch: "Opposed, say Nay or No." Silence follows. "Any abstain? The motion

is carried. Pebbles, please record the vote as unanimous in your minutes. Is

there is other new business?" *The Captain recognized Sunshine*.

Sunshine: "I move that we set up a committee to evaluate Cereal Bowl XIII to

make improvements for this year's big game."

Cap'n Crunch: "Second?" Honey Bee raises her wing.

Honey Bee: "I second the motion to set up a committee to evaluate the next Cereal Bowl to help make improvements."

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Cap'n Crunch: "Is there any discussion needed?" *The Captain once more recognizes Sunshine.*

Sunshine: "As you know, last year Kelloggs defeated Post. Conditions were soggy, but the crowd went bananas. This year we're looking for an even better turn out."

Cap'n Crunch: "Any further discussion? *There is silence in the room.* It has been moved by Sunshine and seconded by Honey Bee that we appoint a committee to evaluate Cereal Bowl XIII. All in favor, say Aye."

All: "Aye!"

Cap'n Crunch: "Opposed, say Nay or No." *Silence follows.* "Any abstain? The motion is carried. Pebbles, please record the vote as unanimous in your minutes. Is there is other new business?" *All the celebrities begin to sing:*

Dig 'em: "I'm not a flake. I'm a smack."

Toucan: "I'm a loop."

Lucky: "I'm magically delicious."

Rabbit: "Raspberry red, lemon yellow, and orange, orange."

Cap'n Crunch: "I see the meeting has taken on some added flavor. Let's have some order here. Please remember you must not speak before you have been recognized by the chairperson. The next order of business is announcements. Does anyone have any? If there are no announcements, then I move that this meeting be adjourned."

Snap, Crackle, and Pop: All three raise their hands as one and are recognized as one. "We move that this meeting be adjourned."

Kool Aid: Raises his gloved hand. "I second it."

Cap'n Crunch: "It has been moved by Snap, Crackle, and Pop and seconded by Kool that this meeting be adjourned. All those in favor signify by saying, Aye."

All: "Aye"

Cap'n Crunch: "All opposed?" *Silence*. Those abstaining?" *Silence*. "Then this meeting is adjourned. Our next meeting is to be held at 3:00 in the cafeteria."