

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO KILL AN ORGANIZATION -- HERE ARE A FEW:

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1. Don't attend meetings, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave the meeting before it is over.
3. Never have anything to say at meetings; wait until you get outside.
4. When in meetings, vote to do everything, and then go home and do nothing.
5. The next day find fault with your officers and fellow members.
6. Take no part in the organization's affairs.
7. Be sure to sit in the back so you can talk things over with another member. Nobody will notice even if they can't hear the program.
8. Get all the organization will give but give nothing in return.
9. Talk cooperation but never cooperate.
10. Never ask anyone to join the organization.
11. Threaten to resign at every opportunity, tell others they are standing far too much.
12. If asked to help, always say you are too busy and don't have time.
13. Never read anything pertaining to the organization. You might find out too much.
14. Never accept an office. It is much easier to criticize than to do things.
15. If appointed to a committee, never give any time to the committee. Let the chairman do it all.
16. Don't do anything more than you have to, and when others willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help the cause, howl because the Organization is being run by a clique.
17. Never say anything positive about anything the organization does.
18. Focus on the 'small stuff' and forget the bigger picture of why you are involved with the organization in the first place.
19. Keep telling everyone that you think things should go back to the way "they were."
20. Complain that the people organizing the event don't know what they are doing.
21. Don't volunteer to help with anything.
22. Pick arguments with other board members.
23. Refuse to support anything new.
24. Don't give your successor any help with the event or project they have taken over.
25. Don't come to meetings or if you come, be late.
26. At meetings keep adding things to the discussion that steer the conversation off topic and ignore the chairperson when he tries to bring the meeting back on track.
27. Don't say anything at the meeting but afterwards be sure everyone knows that you disagreed.
28. Only talk to a few, select people so that it looks like you have to be part of the clique to be heard.
29. Make side conversation to your neighbor throughout the meeting.
30. Don't try and get new members or leaders.
31. Forget that everyone is a volunteer and support and respect are appreciated.

32. Don't tell new volunteers the "whole story." They don't need to know the background on the organization.
33. Argue that recognizing volunteers is a waste of time.
34. Give the organization as much bad publicity as you can by spreading gossip or unconfirmed information.
35. Take everything personally and refuse to work with those people again.
36. Forget what the main purpose or goal of the program really is.
37. Things have to be done your way...no one can do it as well.
38. Make personal attacks and carry personal grudges about others in the group.
39. Don't let your name stand for office and criticize those who do.
40. Refuse to consider any changes to programs or the organization's structure.
41. Complain about the provincial association and never support anything they do.
42. Don't communicate with your members and be selective about what you tell them