Top 10 Tips for Meeting with Candidates

Congratulations! You’ve got an important meeting coming up to discuss the Disability Matters Vote campaign with a political candidate in your constituency.

Here are the top 10 things you need to know to make your meetings positive and productive.

Meeting Agenda:

1. Make introductions and thank them for the meeting
2. Highlight the three campaign priorities: 1. To ensure all Manitobans with disabilities can participate fully in election activities and those who are eligible to vote can do so. 2. To promote priority attention for disability issues in the election. 3. To support Manitobans with disabilities in making informed voting decisions
3. Reiterate that DMVote is a non-partisan campaign. We take no position of support or non-support of any party or candidate. We are meeting with all parties.
4. Share your personal experiences connected with disability issues in the campaign and talk briefly about why this campaign is important to you.
5. Highlight the five priority issues by referring to the Priority Issues fact sheets provided at dmvote.ca
6. Disability Matters Leaders Debate is August 27 – save the date, and we look forward to seeing you there.
7. Ask them to let us know if they need more information on the issues. We also have information on holding accessible meetings in the community.
8. Mention that questions for the parties and candidates are being sent to all parties. Party and candidate responses will be posted on dmvote.ca. We will publish the answers at dmvote.ca and provide links on social media so people can make informed voting decisions.
9. Time for other questions / thank you
10. Take a photo of your group with the candidate and send it to info@dmvote.ca so the campaign can share it online. Post it on your own social media, too!