#### Networking as a Strategic Project Management Resource

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## Business is about results. Results arise from opportunities. Opportunity arises from relationships.

In Search of Leadership
Phil Harkins & Phil Sweet

### Never forget that teamwork is really just a series of great relationships.

Molly Harvey

#### Networking: Business Success Strategy

The intentional process of creating & developing relationships from initial contact to ultimate outcome.

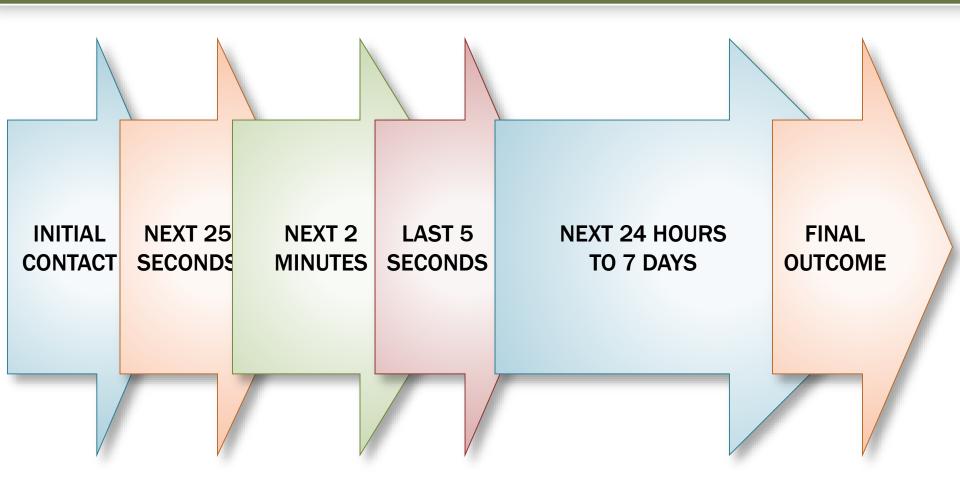
#### Networking Components

**Process** 

**Preparation** 

**Persistence** 

### MANAGING THE SOCIAL PROCESS



#### <u>Networking Phases</u>

Initial contact:

T.E.S.T

T – Taking Charge

E - Enthusiasm

S - Smile

T – Total Focus

#### <u>Networking Phases</u>

The next 25 seconds:

S.A.F.E

S – Situation

A - Activities

F - Family

E – Current Events

#### <u>Networking</u> <u>Conversation Strategies</u>

Be sincerely curious

The rule of 3 questions

Be an action listener

Supply feedback

Offer help

#### Communicating Effectively

Target Market

Benefit

Result

#### Networking Phases

The last 5 seconds:

A.C.T

A – Accept Responsibility

C – Create an Opportunity

T – Thank the Other Person

### Relationship-Transition Strategies

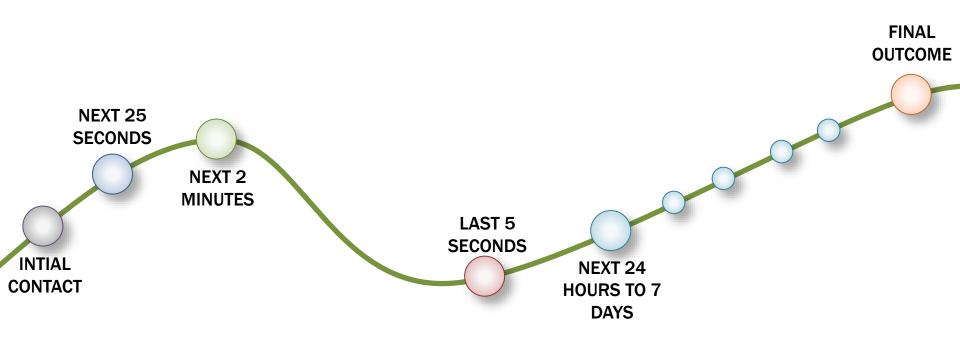
Start with the end in mind

Confirm value

Define parameters

Clarify reason

### MANAGING THE SOCIAL PROCESS



#### Next 24 Hours to 7 Days

Pro-active

Persistent

**Patient** 

#### Building Better Relationships

Contact drives...

the speed at which a relationship develops.

Communication determines..

the quality of a relationship.

Contribution dictates...

The depth of a relationship.

#### <u>Networking Payoff Areas</u>

**Direct Results** 

**Indirect Results** 

**Opportunities** 

Resources

Relationships

# Every person you meet has the potential to help you, to the extent she/he is willing and able.

Your mission is to stimulate their willingness as you discover their ability, relative to your situation.

Michael Hughes

