

Committee attendance (#) - Mi, P, L

Outside attendance (#) - Mo

Resulting Next Action Items

- TODO **set up a self-signup form for emails**

- this will ping a number of people over email who have admin access to the the account system and will manually create an account

- needs some copy explaining the potential risks in submitting the info & encourage using burner emails

- need people to volunteer to be the account creators

- TODO **move vikunja project management software from**

projects.beta.ridgewoodcommons.nyc to projects.ridgewoodcommons.nyc

- TODO **migrate the data from the bookstack instance at wiki.commonsnyc to wiki.ridgewoodcommons.nyc**

Topics:

- "Tech" issues that are holding us back as an organization
 - Cross group coordination
 - Site/URL confusion
 - Account creation
 - Lack of movement on core "space replication" functions
- Opportunities for clarity
- Individualized pain points - What could change that would make your life easier?
- Things to put a bow (if temporary) on

"Tech" issues that are holding us back as an organization

Cross group coordination

- There's no "many to many communication" channel that isn't scoped in a way to cause people to wonder "is this the right place for this?" e.g. SpokesCouncil chat is unclear.
- The entire wall has become this, but mostly in an "attention extractive" way, like "come to my thing," vs "Does anyone want to x/yz?" and there's no delimiter between RC, RC community, and outside stuff.
- Admin committees and working groups are Signal silos

Proposals gathered from various chats...

- Day-scoped chats - Signal chats for M/Tu/W/Th/F/Sa/Su
 - Gives very clear structure, tightly integrates different events
 - Probably pretty quiet.
 - Great for WGs and recurring events
 - Bad for ACs, e.g. facilities, programming, finance.
- "Grand Central Chat" - A unified chat, with members from various ACs, WGs, and otherwise.
 - Probably noisier. Member labels might let it function on mute. (Do @s override mutes?)

All of the above would benefit from using the new-ish Signal "member label" system. So Whether day-chats, or a unified

All chats still suffer from the fact that almost nobody reads group descriptions. Not sure about pinned messages, but in any case they're not visible to new members?

Site/URL confusion

wiki.commonsnyc

*.beta.ridgewoodcommonsnyc

ridgewoodcommonsnyc

Having tools broken up across domains hurts both use and utility

Account creation

Lack of an account makes tools read-only, increases confusion & sense of social capital.

Lack of movement on core "space replication" functions

- programming and rentals management
- mailing list
- finance

Opportunities for clarity

- Division of work
 - Network connectivity
 - Hosted applications
 - Semi-hosted tools
 - Site
- Group names
 - Tech Comms ->

- Tech & Intranet
- Tech & Coordinating
- Tech & inside comms
- Tech Infrastructure
 - This could mean that the site becomes a collab between Tech Infra & Outside Comms
- RC IG coord ->
 - Comms
 - Outside Comms

What could change that would make your life easier?

These meetings are a good start for me, gives a time & place to send people. - LP

Things to put a bow (if temporary) on

- Outline vs bookstack
- Knowledge store ACLs and visibility

Raw Notes from meeting

<https://wiki.ridgewoodcommons.nyc/books/admin-committee-shared/page/rc-office-hours-tech-comms-41926>

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Domain Name

Working group software User Testing (e.g. pantry try riseup?)

Excitement on

nyc mesh

ny mesh

visibility of invisible work - roles board

removal of Proposals label on board

meta note if not in chat, can't see chat-shared agendas

Things working well

* What's Going On? I go to <https://ridgewoodcommons.nyc>

Notes:

- We need many to many communication channel
 - seems like the giant physical wall is the channel
 - Micro has explored some wall hierarchies
 - Zulip/Mattermost+
 - consensus on signal: skepticism, willingness to experiment, try Signal solutions before bigger project of alt software solution

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What situations where someone can't find a channel, or there doesn't appear to be a chat.

Story: New to space: where is everybody? how do I get involved? Where do I find people interested in x/y/z

- next action item: move bookstack to wiki.ridgewoodcommons.nyc & migrate data. decide what to do about

- next action item: move vikunja off beta subdomain

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- invite code

- self-signup (open)

- self-signup (moderated)

- form submission + manual account creation

- unlisted/obscured URL

- Against 3rd party auth (Google, etc)

- MVP for self-signup:

- form at a hidden URL that pings a small list of email addresses that have admin access and can create an account for them

- bot worries

- human worries
- vandals
- deletion
- false engagement
- pollution of user database

MVPs

/register

ACLs

- next action item: create a secret endpoint that allows users to submit a form that asks for their desired username & email, email a small number of admins who will then create the account for them. make sure to include some copy that relays the risks of submitting their info

Tech Infrastructure

