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Chapter Community Associations Institute Nevada Chapter
Chapter Size Extra Large (1201+)
Category Out of the Box
Program Name Taking a Risk: "HOA This is Jeopardy!" A CAI Nevada luncheon and 1-hour CE credit class
Each question is worth 20 points and will be scored using the following rubric: (1-5) Poor Didn't effectively answer the question (6-1) Fair Answered the question (11-15) Good Answered the question with more detail (16-20) Excellent Went above and beyond with proven results and visible data
Describe the program and why it fits the category. (20pts) Playing games that require brain work are fun and beneficial. Oftentimes, playing a game such as TV's popular Jeopardy helps us learn and remember valuable information; but playing a game with the intent to teach a 1-hour CE class doesn't fit the stereotypical format. The TV show "Jeopardy" name is copyrighted; therefore, our game became "Jeopardy." Combining enjoyment and education was the primary goal of this endeavor and guided the entire scope of creating an out-of-the-box entertaining and educational presentation called "HOA This is Jeopardy!" The program sub-committee wanted more than just a trivial pursuit type of game, and the TV show Jeopardy was the perfect template. Competition enhances the excitement for the audience, so the committee proposed three teams of four to six people on each team. The teams consisted of one for homeowner members, one for manager members, and one for business partners. Team members were recruited early enough to assure attendance at the luncheon. Today's technology conveniently made it easy for us to turn Jeopardy into Jeopardy. The committee was able to procure software to adapt to a PowerPoint style of presentation. Buzzers were purchased for the contestants, and a scoring mechanism was developed to track the right and wrong answers along with the correlating plus or minus points. The Final Jeopardy question concluded the game and was reserved for three of our chapter attorneys. We created their own competition because we anticipated they would dominate the answer board during regular Jeopardy. Final scores were displayed on the screen. Jeopardy categories were given fun names, but serious content: Worker Bees/CAI committees; It Depends/legal; Archival Acuity/CAI history; The Gospel/Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 116); Alphabet Soup/CAI designations; Holidays; Nevada; Color Inside the Lines/Bylaws, CIC rules, and NRS 116; Laudable and Catalyzing/LAC; Chapter and Verse/NRS 116; Money, Money/budgeting and NRS 116; and Hodgepodge. Another out-of-the-box feature of Jeopardy was a personal video message from Jimmy McGuire, a cousin of our Executive Director, Chris Snow. Jimmy has been a part of the TV Jeopardy game for 21 years as a member of the Jeopardy Clue crew and is currently the stage manager. He got us off to a rousing start!
How did this program meet the mission and vision of the chapter and CAI as a whole? (20pts) The end result was even better than the committee envisioned. Team competitors were enthusiastic and animated at the microphones. The audience was audibly supportive of their respective teams. Wrong answers were jeered; right answers were cheered. Everyone was involved as the committee had anticipated. Two sets of printed handouts were prepared for the program. A set of blank handouts indicating the questions-only was distributed to the audience before the game so they could jot down any notes as the game proceeded. Another set of handouts included questions, answers, and supporting data. These were distributed at the end of the game. The fully completed handouts were vitally important as the educational aspect of the program. The committee understood it was important that our members recognize that we had done our homework and they could rely on accurate answers. The handouts were meticulously proofed by the entire committee for accuracy. Another important factor in offering the fully completed handouts was the approval of the class by the Nevada Real Estate Division. Without substantial NRS 116 information, the class most likely would not have been approved as a continuing education class.

What was the impact on the chapter and its members after completing the program? (Growth of membership, financially, public awareness, membership value, better chapter/member relationship, chapter operations, etc.) (20pts)

Putting this out-of-the-box event together was indeed taking a risk. First of all, would the Nevada Real Estate Division approve of such a novel educational tool? Would the audience be bored or play along with the contestants and enjoy the game? Would we have enough contestants to play the game as planned? Could we come up with enough industry questions to fill all the slots? Should we make them easy? Moderately difficult? Or difficult? The uneasiness was dispelled as soon as the game began. Members were immediately engaged, proving that the unique program worked, opening up possibilities for other out-of-the-box programs in the future.

The common interest community industry is immensely complex with rules, laws, education requirements, etc., especially in Nevada. The Jeopardy game vividly demonstrated the vast realm of knowledge that board members and managers need to know. Board members do not always understand the volume of educational hours managers need in order to be certified. New business partners do not always understand the requirements of either board members or managers. Seeing the array of NRS 116 statutes and other rules and regulations displayed on the giant screen was an eye-opener for many members.

Please provide quantifiable data supporting the rationale for success. (20pts)

Evaluation sheets are an essential summary of all classes and provide solid data from the comments and “grading system.” The Nevada Real Estate Division uses the evaluations from attendees to determine the effectiveness of the content and also the efficacy of the individual who teaches the class. Attendance at the luncheon was over 100 people. Evaluation sheets were collected from 51 managers who attended to obtain their continuing education credits. The evaluations for instruction reflected grades of: excellent, 86%; average, 11%; not acceptable, 0%. Evaluations for the content were as follows: excellent, 91%; average, 9%; not acceptable, 0.8%. The data definitely supports the committee's assessment of a successful program.

Personal testimonials regarding the value of this class come from an attorney, a homeowner, and two managers.

John Leach, Esq., CCAL, NVEBP, one of our founding members of the chapter and a revered leader still today, stated that “the Jeopardy event was remarkable. It was fun and interactive but also educational. The participants were required to know the laws and code provisions relevant to common-interest communities in Nevada as well as facts and details about the local CAI Nevada Chapter. What an exciting, productive, and educational event.”

Robert Rothwell, Ph.D., Advanced DCAL, long-time-active homeowner member of the chapter and National CAI said, "WOW! What a creative way to learn. All attendees were 'over the top' with rave reviews for this presentation. We all were entertained and, at the same time, learned and relearned many important directives that govern our CIC industry here in Nevada."

Sharon Bolinger, CMCA, AMS, LSM, PCAM, president of the Nevada chapter in 2022, said, "I was looking for a great way to finish strong with my CAI NV Chapter President's Luncheon. I wanted an event that would be exciting, engaging to all those who attended as well as educational. The one-hour continuing education class "HOA This Is Jeopardy!" did not disappoint. Such a creative way to learn! This interactive class had all participants engaged from all three membership categories – homeowner members, manager members, and business partner members. It was fun, engaging, and educational all rolled up into a productive continuing education class. Bravo to the innovative thinking that brought this class to fruition."

Tonya Bates, CMCA, AMS, PCAM, "This class is fun and informative. I attended both versions of the class—one in Las Vegas and one in Reno (450 miles apart). At one, I was a participant representing the manager members. It was great camaraderie with my peers. At the other, I was in the audience and observed the play. This was an engaging event that made learning fun."

There is a You Tube link that shows a fluid example of the full.

We tried to include a sample of the powerpoint and the introduction by Jimmy McGuire and a sample game in one file but it is too large. It is included in 3 separate files.

There are two versions of the game in the pdf answer sheets, one for each part of the state as there are a few area specific questions.

Based on the results, will the program be a regular part of the chapter's programs in the future and why? (20pts)

This specific program was used again in January of 2023, with minor tweaks, for the quarterly breakfast in the Northern Nevada region of our chapter. We anticipate using the program again in the future with minor tweaks to account for location and any new laws that have been passed. The success of Jeopardy affirmed that our members are open to a unique experience. The chapter BOD and committee leaders will continue to brainstorm ideas that are out-of-the-box! It's exciting to contemplate what will come next!

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Thank you for your submission! We encourage you to submit another program in a different category.