**Leader as Convener Talking Points**

* Today’s workshop is based on the best-selling book by Peter Block, *Community – The Structure of Belonging.* In particular, you will explore how to utilize the Six Conversations from the book to convene your team/organization more effectively.
* The workshop is being delivered by Designed Learning, a Peter Block company.
* The workshop is designed to help you convene others in a way where the voices of each person are encouraged, valued, and utilized.
* Most meetings and organizational gatherings focus on the voice of the leader(s), while the rest of the team is expected to do what the leader is asking them to do. We call this the “Sage from the Stage” paradigm. While the leaders voice is important, it’s not sufficient to successfully navigate the opportunities and challenges faced by the organization.
* In this workshop, you will experience convening in a different way. You will also learn the protocols and skills needed to convene your team in a way that fosters individual accountability, co-creation, and ownership.

**Leader/Sponsor Talking Points**

* Thank participants for accepting the invitation to attend.
* Explain why you have decided to sponsor the workshop and how you expect it to support the work of the participants in the session.
* If you have any personal experiences with the Six Conversations, share that as part of your opening remarks focusing specifically on how the content has impacted how you convene others.
* Encourage participants to make full use of the learning experience by limiting distractions, asking questions, and sharing their experiences.
* Invite participants to share key takeaways and feedback with you and/or their immediate supervisor and Designed Learning via course evaluation.