

## Questions to ask during introductions

Favorite book

Favorite movie

Favorite ethnic restaurant

Favorite holiday and why

Most memorable trip

First car

Favorite t-shirt

Favorite sports team

Favorite cartoon character

First concert (and what did you wear)

“I come from a people who... and from them I learned...”

Where did you go to elementary school, high school, college?

If you could have dinner with anyone in history, who would you invite?

If you had to leave your home with only one item, what would you take and why?

What are you passionate about?

What brings you energy?

What is your connection to the mission?

How did you get connected to this board/organization?

What accomplishment are you most proud of? (personally, as a board, as an organization)

What contribution did you make in the last year that you're proud of?

For outdoor group (favorite park, hike, trail, lake, river, fishing hole, ...)

For literacy group (favorite book as a child, favorite author, most recent book)

For multi-faceted group (of the programs we offer, which are you most excited about?)

For historic preservation/econ dev group (favorite building, business, tourist venue)

For outdoors group (where do you get energy, where do you go to get replenished)

What river/drainage system do you connect with?

What's your favorite scar? (This was suggested by a guy...)

What was your favorite game/toy/activity as a child?

What's the best bumper sticker you can remember seeing or having?

What's your weirdest personal habit?

What childlike quality of yours do you want to hold onto?

Offer your “personal weather report” as you arrive at this meeting (stormy? calm?)

Here are some questions others have shared with me:

What's your favorite way to spend time?

What historical figure do you most identify with?

Which living person do you most admire?

What is your most treasured possession?

What is your most obvious characteristic?

What is your favorite journey?

What is the quality you most admire in a person?

What do you like most (or least) about your job?

What is your motto?

Who has been the greatest influence in your life?

What advice would you give to a young person?

How would like to die?