



Together Women Rise Operational Policy Integrity of Chapter Meetings

PURPOSE

Our chapters are the foundation of Together Women Rise, and regular chapter meetings are important to the success of our chapters. This is where our members gather to build meaningful relationships with fellow change makers, learn about the issues facing women and girls, and give to further gender equality around the world.

To protect the intent and integrity of Rise meetings, and to ensure that the member experience at chapter meetings is consistent across the organization, Chapter Leaders are asked to follow these guidelines:

SPEAKERS AT CHAPTER MEETINGS

Speakers at Rise meetings may:

- Represent one of our grantees;
- Provide additional information on the country or issue being addressed by our grantees;
- Discuss the challenges/issues being faced by women and girls in low-income countries.

Examples of appropriate speakers may include a local college professor or other expert on a country or issue facing women and girls in low-income countries, or a recent visitor to a country where Rise has awarded a grant.

Speakers at Rise meetings may not:

- Ask for funds for other organizations;
- Make presentations about other organizations, including political or religious organizations and other nonprofits.

PRODUCT SALES AT CHAPTER MEETINGS

Product sales at chapter meetings are permitted if they involve:

- Rise related products
- Products from our grantees where a percentage of sales will be donated to Rise.
- Products from one of Rise's cause marketing partners, as listed on the [Marketplace](#) page of our website.

All other products sales are not appropriate or permitted at Rise chapter meetings.

CHAPTER FUNDRAISERS

- Chapter fundraising activities that benefit Together Women Rise are encouraged and appreciated.



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- Chapter fundraisers should occur outside of regular chapter meetings.
- Any related activity, such as planning for the fundraiser or ticket sales, should be kept to a minimum at regular chapter meeting so as to not interfere with the discussion of the monthly grantee and other Rise business
- Chapter Leaders are required to complete the online [Fundraiser Approval Form](#) prior to starting work on their fundraiser and submit this form to their Regional Leader for approval.
- Any event or activity focused on raising funds for organizations or causes not associated with Together Women Rise is not permitted at chapter meetings.

Chapter Leaders are encouraged to direct any questions about this Policy to their Regional Leaders or the Rise home office.

