

Open Meeting Format

M. As this is an open meeting the Opening Ceremony will be omitted. The officers, members, & guests will please take their places. (If the officers march in, this is the time to do it.)

M. (Calls up entire Grange – 3 raps of gavel) Worthy Assistant Stewards, you will please open the Bible upon our Altar. (The same form is used as in opening the Grange)

M..Opening Prayer, Worthy Chaplain.

M..Opening Song, Worthy Lecturer.

M..Worthy Ceres, you will please present our Flag.

M..(Seats Grange – 1 rap of gavel)

Roll Call officers

Welcome by Worthy Master

Escorting Dignitaries to the right of the Master

Program :Anniversary, Community Service Night, Installation, Booster Night, Other

Announcements by the Worthy Secretary.

Suggestions for the Good of the Order

Count – (Including Friends of the Grange)

1. Friends
2. Visiting Granges
3. Your own Grange
4. Junior Granges
5. Visiting Youth
6. Your own Youth

M. (Calls up entire Grange – 3 raps of gavel) Worthy Assistant Stewards, you will please close the Bible upon our Altar. (AS & LAS proceed directly to the Altar, close Bible & return to their stations)

M..Closing Song, Worthy Lecturer

M..Worthy Ceres, you will please retire our Flag

M..Closing Prayer, Worthy Chaplain.

M. I now declare this open meeting duly closed. (1 rap of gavel) If Officers march out, Master will say "Patron's and Friends, please remain seated while the officers retire."