Ruff Times

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The universe is in a deep, weird, still undefined trouble. War is imminent and, worst of all, we are running low on donuts. To find a solution to these and all other issues, the most important Galaxy Leaders have gathered with The Wisest Being in existence and await council. The Wise One gazes all and considers everything, while proudly licking himself.

To play you will need: A good dog (as The Wise One), a leash (as a Universal Translator), dog toys and 3 to 6 players (as the Galaxy Leaders).

Form a circle around the Wise One and one's Guardian, who should start the council holding the Universal Translator. The Leaders, one by one, should approach the Wise One and introduce themselves as formally as possible. This intro should mention the Leader's name, duty and weird problem that needs solution. Emphasis on weird, as this is the One's specialty. Also don't forget to pet the Wise One.

Now the Guardian will give the Universal Translator to one of the Leaders. The Leaders and the Wise One should establish an open and sincere conversation. Remember that it's only possible to fully understand the infinity of nuances of the Wise One's thoughts by holding the Universal Translator and this with the fact that Leaders lie may cause some political dissonance.

However, there are some clear signs everyone should watch for:

- If the Wise One licks you, you must hold the Universal Translator. You need to wait a few minutes before holding it again (the experience is too intense), so if you had it a while ago just ignore and be thankful for the wetness received.
- Peeing is a clear indication you all should be paying attention to "this", and it should be included in the conversation.
- Barking is the Wise One's way to ask you to back off and be quiet for a while.
- Most people believe it's a sign of affection when the Wise One's paw touches you. Most people are wrong. It's a clear sign that you did something wrong. If you are touched once by it, others will be aware of you. Twice and all your opinions are considered wrong. A third time means you should be killed for the betterment of all. Running is entirely appropriate.

Considerations:

Using toys or food to get the Wise One's attention is possible, but only shady people do that.

The council goes on until the Leaders are satisfied or the Wise One is bored.