Academic Retreat Evaluation Comments

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Q: What was your favorite aspect of this retreat?

- Table discussions
- Table top exercise/ discussions
- Generating ideas among all – including students
- Conversation with colleagues
- Table interaction was great
- Table discussions
- Time with colleagues / good facilitator
- Table interactions
- Table dialogue
- Discussion at our tables; Lisa’s overview with data
- I have attended many retreats – This was the Best! Congratulations!!
- Table top exercises, talking with faculty
- Table discussions
- Table topic discussions
- 1. Presentation – Lisa did a great job! 2. Table top discussions
- The table top exercises are always worthwhile for me as I hear various perspectives
- The dialogue at my table
- The pre-reading diversity of articles. I also was very intrigued by Lisa’s opening comments and presentation overview
- Presentation of national and local statistics
- Information sharing
- So well organized great planning!
- Talking to people across campus – well organized (better than other retreats)
- Diversity of attendees
- Table-top exercises!
- Well run agenda

Q: What was your least favorite aspect of this retreat?

- Dim lighting
- We didn’t have enough students at our table
- All good
- Too broad and unfocused topic
- All good
- No designated break, as some cross-table informed interaction during the session id sometimes valuable
- No break for entire group
- Vote at end of session
- Lack of focus on national trends. Data is fine, but how are other schools dealing with common issues
• Seemed like there were some no shows – maybe get deans and directors help make sure there reps. Attend?
• Nothing was a problem
• Length, noisy room
• Discussions should be more directed, fewer subjects would be better
• None
• Enjoyed it all!

Q: Do you have any suggestions for making future retreats successful?
• Best retreat I’ve ever attended
• Combined “retreat “ of students and faculty (ASI and Senate) and campus folks
• Continue with open communication
• Focus
• Continue with same spirit and enthusiasm, thanks Lisa, and all of your planning group!
• Better microphones for group sharing – hard to hear
• Thanks for including student services division people; please continue. Keep doing what you’re doing, love the new leadership in the Academic Senate
• Tried to do a bit much- maybe max of 2 table top discussions
• This is difficult to achieve but the more students present for the small discussions the better
• After recent Academic Senate meetings, I was quite anxious about the retreat. It has been a pleasant surprise. The opening presentation by Lisa was informative, stimulating and idea-generating for me.
• No
• Questionnaire should have “don’t know” category as some the outcomes are unknown
• were alumni invited to participate
• more faculty to attend
• continue with the retreat