December Future Environments Meeting Feedback

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1. What aspects of the gathering seemed most interesting and useful to you?
   - Seeing who else is interested
   - Meeting people from diverse departments
   - Exchange of ideas with colleagues that I don’t typically interact with
   - Meeting other engaged faculty
   - Minor networking opportunities
   - Hearing from others outside of my department
   - Talking about what’s out there
   - Generation of ideas - window into what faculty envision with clusters
   - The discussion about potential projects/areas of interest from a wide range of people helped me envision more clearly some of the possibilities: Questions about what open labs represent were useful
   - Illustrating concept of cluster development by using examples of existing sub-groups and new ideas
   - So much better - we got stuff done!
   - Seeing the faculty in the room who were interested in “future environments” topic
   - Project ideas, creativity

2. Do you plan to take any action as a result of attending this gathering?
   - No
   - Chatting
   - Not yet
   - Yes, I would like to explore partnership with a colleague in this group
   - Maybe
   - Talk to colleagues that attended other meetings
   - No
   - I think my interests may be more aligned with other Clusters - But I’m glad I attended!
   - For now, I hope to attend more discussions as offered and be open and available. How do we take the next step?
   - Yes - follow up with Sam Miller, Steve Whitman, Liz Ahl, Poets and writers student group -follow up on community resilience in the future
   - Yes
   - Attend the next level in-depth discussion. Connect w/faculty who expressing interest in my areas
bullet Follow-up with Bicknell Thrush idea with Steve Whitman

3. What impact did your participation in this event have on your thinking?
   - Discouraged about how little of what we are doing is understood
   - Helped solidify who would be involved in the cluster
   - Helped me know where to start my thinking
   - It made me aware of the possible overlap in our educational goals
   - This was way too broad of a discussion
   - That more clarity is needed between clusters and open lab
   - Cluster world broadened perspectives
   - A several levels: What are faculty involved in (projects, interests, etc.), future directions, possibilities, needs,.....
   - I feel somewhat clearer on the possibilities, although I still feel unsure about logistics and time. But it helped make me feel more excitement, even though this is an extremely busy time
   - Not much - already thinking about many of the possibilities, potentials
   - Better understanding of terms
   - That the university/leadership is still very unsure of what we are doing with “cluster”
   - Excited about cross-discipline initiatives

4. What recommendations do you have for the workshop facilitator/presenter or for CETL staff to help us improve such events in the future?
   - Set a specific agenda w/specific goals embedded in a larger, intentional process
   - Include down time during (in the middle) the schedule to discuss w/colleagues
   - We need more details about the upper administrative vision for what these will be
   - Have a more organic meats for leading disparate academic cultures into a unified project
   - Not a broad enough audience participated. Lots of underhanded turf concerns. Too Superficial a discussion with no framework for how to do this on campus
   - At times it felt like there was a preconceived end point or product that may have prevented the discussion of new ideas
   - More defined agenda
   - Nice job facilitating this event
   - This session seemed very geared toward water/natural environments/climate change. There really was no recognition of cultural/man-made environments, i.e. the “built” environment. Perhaps that should become a separate cluster
   - Can’t think of anything. Thank you for organizing
• Neater writing, Larger letters - couldn’t read flip chart from 30 ft away. Also - repeat comments by soft-spoken people. Couldn’t hear much of some comments
• None
• Send out a university email listing XYZ topics - People who are interesting in those “open lab” topics/projects attend that discussion. That’s where I see true projects coming out of, We need to now break into small groups and form projects around those as there is endless ideas
• Like developing models