

## CELEBRATION OF GREAT TEACHING - EVALUATIONS -2009

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1	Facilities	Food	Facilitators	Premise	Next Time	Format	Comments
2	same	great	good	great	I liked the environment and I learned a lot		Thank you very much
3	Thought they were great - I think everyone should get to have their own bedroom. Better to have it during warm weather	Excellent!	David, Joyce, and Lara did a great job!	Really love the whole reason for doing this - I learned a lot	I think it should end right after lunch on Sunday. Other than that - it was great	Processes, Fun Time, Agenda - Free Time would be more fun during warmer time of year	
4							I don't think I would change anything (except perhaps it might be better to make available a tiny bit more time (especially in morning and evenings) for introduction
5	Some technology connection in room; maybe different conference centers; maybe in summer						
6	Good	Not so good, but there is never going to be good cafeteria food and I am a picky eater	Helpful, positive, engaged - NO complaints!	Retreat - look at teaching was what I wanted (needed)	Ending was weak - how about each present a plan of change	Processes - not sure what we are referring to; Free Time - good balance; Agenda - I think the self-derived worked	I wanted a weekend away from the world, to reflect on what I'm doing as a teacher - so this worked great for me! Having my colleagues input was especially helpful!

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7	Wonderful - accomodating - seemed to serve this retreat, group well	Good - enjoyed the fresh veggies and fruit	Excellent - all 3 brought to the retreat their expertise and experience. The combination of all three worked well together	Very Good. I was able to network, exchange ideas and learned fresh methods for teaching	More of the break out sessions where we discussed specific topics (pre-determined by group). Less of free time but only to adjust schedule to shorten time away from home. Different - add, include or have a separate retreat (I like add) for CE instructors and or include faculty that teach both credit and CE.	I enjoyed the process, letting the group control, decide how the conference is carried out - the structure is more flexible	
8	Fine	Fine	Great!	Great!	I would like to see more time devoted to reporting the ideas generated by each group to everyone		
9	Meeting rooms were okay, but layout was awkward. Perhaps if they'd allow Roy Rogers, the space would be more flexible	Liked the BBQ. Otherwise, food was just acceptable, though the staff was helpful and friendly	Were great - perhaps recruit your fourth from this year's tribe	Good		Good-maybe trade some time to allow the "western entertainment"	

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10	Good - but WiFi in the cabins would be helpful		Did good work			I have no suggestions to improve, the balance between large and small groups seems to be critical and I might suggest a slight emphasis on more small	I was really energized by the exposure to such a broad spectrum of my fellow teachers. The evening get togethers were both fun and useful
11	Good - pleasant - relaxing	Good - only problem is my chubbiness	Positive - thought provoking - efficient - open	Conversations with like-minded individuals are rewarding intellectually and emotionally	Option of coming the day before the conference at the expense of the individual but with ACC's group rate	Perhaps have every person send email about the books he or she selected for review and to lessen distracting note-taking during the actual presentations.	So much to assemble in my mind and so little time to integrate. I felt as if I were on a whirlwind tour of an art museum
12	Nice, perhaps a closer location	Very good, but too much	Very good	Nice/Practical	More of short breaks; less of food; different - publish the success/challenge papers early so we can read them ahead of time	Have real classroom scenarios to choose from; 9 pm too late an ending time	

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13	They were great!	OK	Fine	wonderful	Free time - okay; I don't know what you can do about this, but some people tend to dominate the conversations and become annoying when we are tired	good	Thanks to you, David, Joyce, and Lara for overall planning - this went wonderful!
14			The facilitators did an amazing job connecting with us and facilitating an incredible weekend		More of - I really enjoyed the way we were assigned to groups and then allowed to choose our groups; great social times; great topics and way to learn from each other; Less of - I really enjoyed the format and agenda - I cannot think of something I would want less of; Different - I really enjoyed this weekend - I have walked away with so many ideas and new friends!		

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15	Good to have our own rooms; adequate facilities - loved my room	Quantity and helpfulnesses of staff - very good	OUTSTANDING - fabulous	The premise was upbeat and I loved that! I retain examples best, so the teaching demos and narratives worked out quite well (best)	More of teaching demos; less of - a little shorter would arguably help me retain more. The end activity was tiring - I think I'd have ended the meeting 1/2 day earlier; different - alphabetize the success - challenge papers for ease - a group email/cell phone/room number list would be grand! A projector/computer for teaching demos would be excellent		I really felt a fabulous sense of community and enjoyed the cross-discipline interactions. I'd like an online presence to stay connected - would be grand! Maybe add short bios to our challenge papers - what we teach, where, etc.; JOB WELL DONE!

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16					It would be nice to get outside or have occasional change of venue. All activities were inside in meeting rooms. The facilities of a big outdoor ranch could be better utilized in some way. Perhaps, meet outdoors by the river - go on a hike - something active, outdoors, as a group	I liked the short teaching demos. More would be nice! There was time for 3, 5-7 would be fun! I liked the teaching demos; Perhaps to help with notes, a list of the recommended books would be helpful!	This weekend met expectations. It was really "perfect" in many ways; It was simple, direct, straight-forward, relevant, and fun! A great way to bring colleagues together
17	Excellent (would have liked more woods, hills)		Excellent (supportive, non-intrusive)	I strongly believe teachers should learn from teachers	We did a lot of talking about teaching, maybe could have used a little more practice doing teaching. Could have one small group session in which group members teach something to others, then receive critique. Or, have people present lesson plan (as part of pre-conference prep.) and have group members critique	Good pacing, good balance	Other possibilities - as pre-conference prep, have participants research some teaching technique or theory and present to the group

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18	Other than the wireless thing the facilities were terrific!				Please do this at a place with better and more wireless coverage; I wasted hours because wireless network kept kicking me out and because it was terribly slow. This is terribly important for me. They also kicked me out of main lobby at 10 pm and I was still working Friday; Main lobby was only place with wireless coverage		I'd like to see more teachers' mini-presentations
19	Great. I appreciate the privacy suite!	Thank you for taking care of my special requests and diet restrictions	Did a very good job of staying in the back, listening, and leaving the discussions to us	The people on the premise were very friendly and nice	I think the retreat should be offered to faculty every year	The format worked for me. The agenda was interesting; I appreciate the free time we got	

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20	Wonderful cabins (FYI - sounded like mice/critters up in the ceiling)	Wonderful - attention to dietary wants/needs	Easy to approach - nice work - including every participant	Fine	More ways to switch/change small groups; more ways to gather ideas from small groups, record, and access them; less time determining topic for discussion; Different try round robin format	Anonymous brainstorming to determine topics; maybe better to determine topics based on new ideas instead of prior group conversations (already covered that topic) - bell rings to switch to new stations	GOLD STAR
21			Good, relaxed facilitators - very encouraging and accepting		More - breakrooms, food, service; survey - more leader modeling; Different - can activities at resort be available on a more immediate basis (like being to decide morning or night, refine)	Liked the changing and intermixing of groups	Like February date, liked the informal hours - good time to share

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22	Excellent - lovely setting & surroundings - clean - well appointed rooms, easy access to gathering areas	Abundant, flavorful, offered ample choices - provided beverages; healthy snacks	Fun, upbeat, professional - good guidance & ideas provided - accessible and approachable - kept up on point, but flexible as needed	Excellent - needed concept time spent networking and brainstorming across curriculum was inspiring - development of ideas; building community were best aspects	Find a way to allow more visiting between groups - opportunities to discuss more topics - cut down on repetition - visiting more ideas vs. repeating some challenges	Enough structure and guidance to allow free flow and exchange of ideas. Ample free time was built in for decompression and reflection - agenda was well set/thought out	
23					More of - these retreats so more people can participate, introductions before event for people who miss initial meeting (maybe brief bios compiled and shared over email); Less of sessions that last until 9 pm; Different - find a location closer to Austin, go Thursday - Saturday instead of Friday - Sunday		It's hard to come up with suggestions when the event was already so well-conceived planned and conducted - It was very helpful and refreshing and I'll recommend it highly!