

Staff Track Sessions @Convocation

Fall 2020

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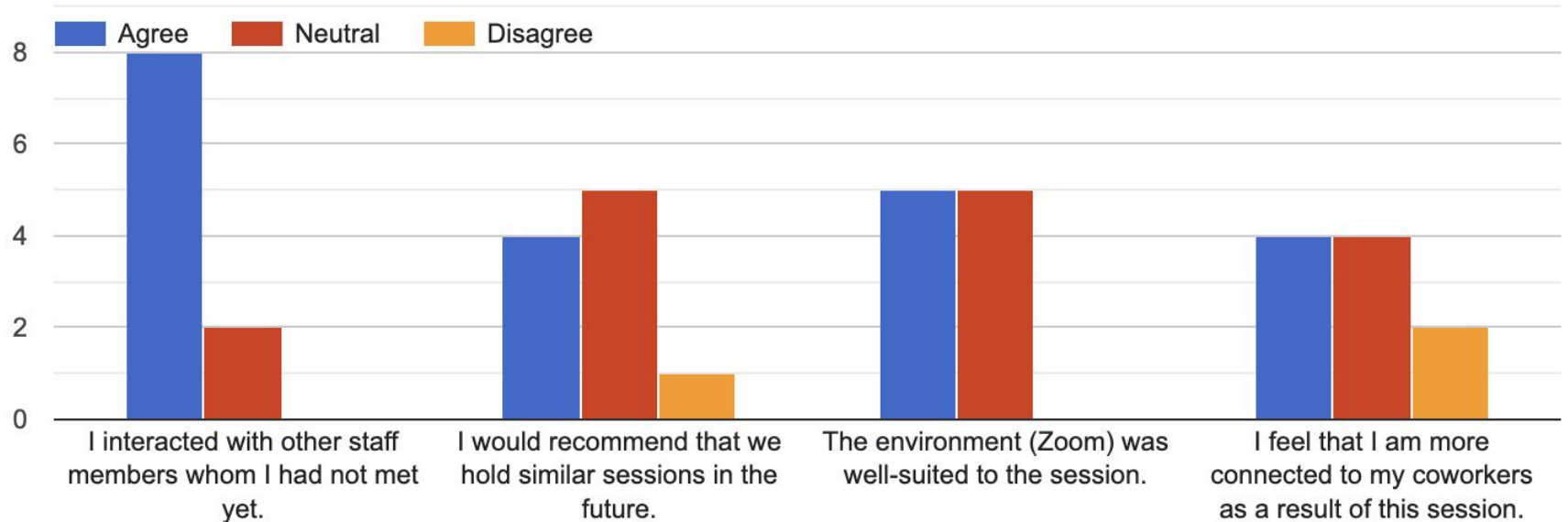
Importance of Connection in a Virtual World with Samantha Dye

What might you change about this session to make it more impactful for you in the future?

- I think it was well planned and executed. The content was good as well.
- I'd rather learn more practical tools and techniques to achieve connection in virtual spaces. My brainstorming groups had a really hard time coming up with anything and I'd rather hear from an expert.
- I feel additional sessions will only create better camaraderie and ease of communication.
- be clear about what our professional development objectives are for staff and work towards those
- I'm not sure if the outside facilitator was useful or not as the majority of the session was spent in small groups. I did not walk away with any new tools but did interact with different staff members, which was nice.
- clearer agendas
- I have attended Samantha's training's in the past and have enjoyed them but I was hoping for a little more direction or depth from her. I felt that it was too participant driven and didn't offer the tools I was hoping to get from it.

Morning Session: Importance of Connection in a Virtual World with Samantha Dye

Please provide feedback concerning various aspects of the session:



What were some things that you learned that you would take away from this session?

- I realized that I really miss talking on the phone to vendors and staff.
- It was fairly easy to meet coworkers.
- I learned that people should be notified via Zoom so they learn about breakout rooms
- Nothing really.
- the chaos the deans have implemented

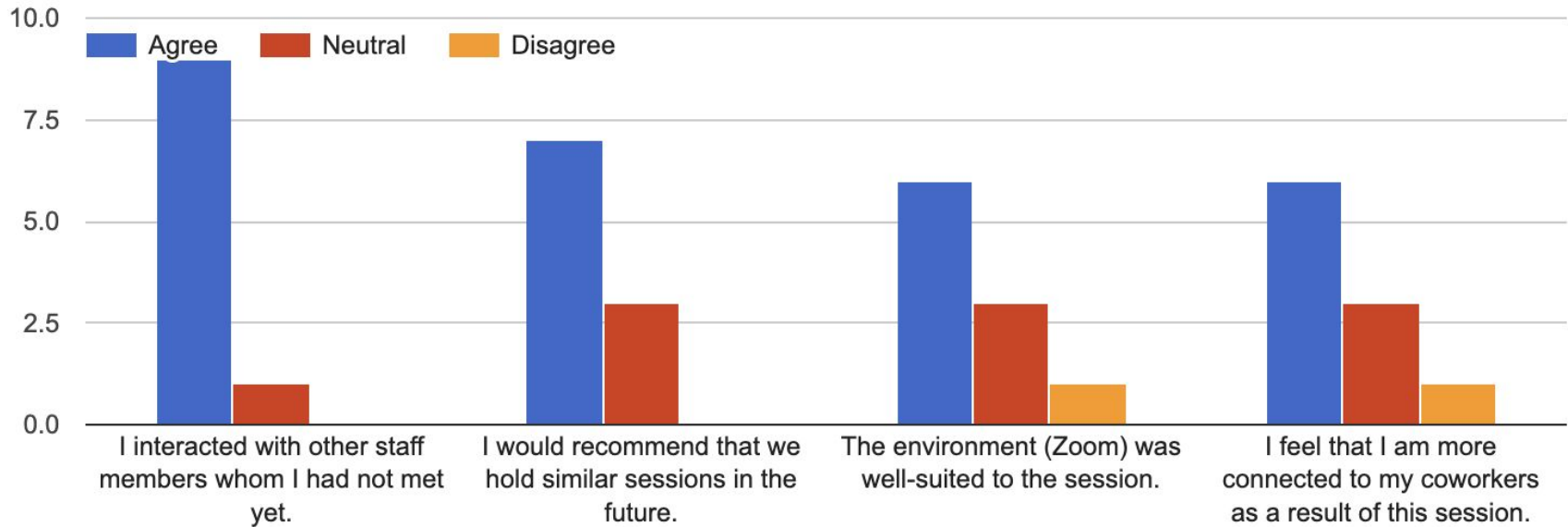
Is there anything that you discussed in the session breakout rooms that you'd like to see Staff Council follow up on?

- Low morale, feeling disconnected in all aspects, ie personal, professional, educational, travel, etc.
- How to continue to make remote work an option post-COVID
- Not yet, Thank You to all participating.
- maybe the entire university should engage in a start, stop, continue exercise
- Not that I can recall

Afternoon Sessions: Unconference

Session Feedback

Please provide feedback concerning various aspects of the session:



What are some other topics or training session suggestions you'd like to see offered in the future?

7 responses

I really wished I could participate in the "How do I make this" session, but I was not able to connect when I tried logging in. This is definitely a topic I would like to discuss heavily in the future.

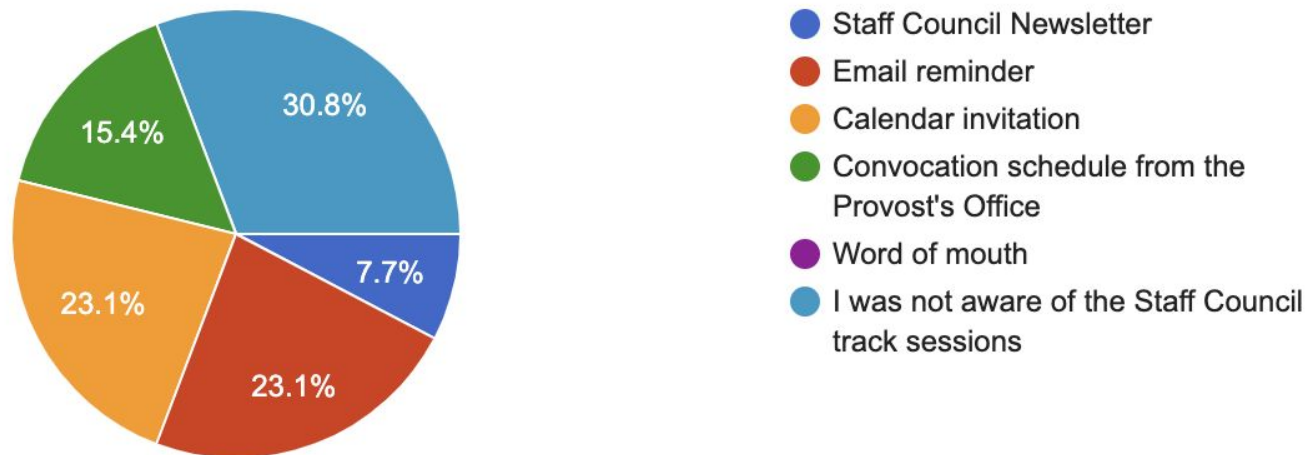
Intermediate/Advanced Excel

Work Smarter, Not Harder

Navigating enrollment for dummies

How did you first learn of the Staff Council track sessions at Fall Convocation?

13 responses



Unconference track notes

Notes from the Unconference sessions:

- [Participant-driven professional development](#)
- [Language, Learning & Representation](#)
- [Social Media](#)
- [Zoom](#)
- [Work Harder, Not Smarter](#)

Takeaways

- Small number of respondents — n=13, ~20–25% of estimated participants
- Goal of connecting staff: success!
- There's not one single way that respondents hear about events.
- More preparation time would likely address more specific training needs
- Reaction to using Zoom + breakout rooms as our environment was well received