

## Speed Networking September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### Attendance

- 33 individuals attended and 28 completed evaluations.
  - 21 attendees were Assistant Professors, five were Associate Professors, four were Full Professors, three were Administrators, and one was a Lecturer.

### Quantitative Results from the Evaluation Form

**I have met someone today who I feel I will be able to collaborate with in the future on teaching, research, or service.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	5	17.9	17.9
	Agree	10	35.7	53.6
	Strongly Agree	13	46.4	100.0
	Total	28	100.0	

**I feel I have acquired new skills, information or understanding about how to effectively network with other professionals to promote my career.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	2	7.1	7.4
	Agree	17	60.7	70.4
	Strongly Agree	8	28.6	100.0
	Missing Data	1	3.6	
	Total	28	100.0	

**I have met someone today who I feel I would like to get to know better.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	9	32.1	32.1
	Strongly Agree	19	67.9	100.0
	Total	28	100.0	

**I will be able to implement new networking strategies as a result of my participation in this event.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	2	7.1	7.4
	Agree	16	57.1	66.7
	Strongly Agree	9	32.1	100.0
	Missing Data	1	3.6	
	Total	28	100.0	

**This event was a positive networking experience with other women faculty here at NDSU.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	1	3.6	3.6
	Agree	4	14.3	17.9
	Strongly Agree	23	82.1	100.0
	Total	28	100.0	

**I would be interested in doing a speed networking session again.**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	2	7.1	7.1
	Agree	7	25.0	32.1
	Strongly Agree	19	67.9	100.0
	Total	28	100.0	

**How would you rate the overall quality of this session?**

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Average	2	7.1	7.1
	About Average	9	32.1	39.3
	Excellent	17	60.7	100.0
	Total	28	100.0	

Qualitative Results from the Evaluation Form

1. What questions do you still have about networking after attending this session? Please list any areas that you would like to receive additional information about or that need further clarification.
  - Three minutes is too short!
  - If people are standing around pushing each other out of the way, how do we get to a particular person then
  - “The speed effect” forces to introduce ourself very quickly and very efficiently
  - Maybe a wrap-up speech to summarize tips for effective networking strategy.
  - Just have it focus on getting to know the person, NOT research, teaching, service. Tell people to bring business cards ahead of time
  - A demo would have helped us before we started.
  - Would help to have participant’s names and emails on a handout so we don’t have to write them down during the 3 minute time
  - Great way to get know people
  
2. What do you think were the most helpful or valuable aspects of the speed networking session you attended today?
  - Assigned topics
  - Get to know new person
  - Meet someone new!
  - Mentioning myself in a short period of time
  - Very friendly atmosphere
  - Clear directions for what to talk about and name tags
  - Getting to know our teaching strategies
  - Some structure (specific amount of time)
  - It was nice to meet people and help campus feel more friendly/safe
  - Getting to know others on campus
  - Got to talk and easily hear what others were saying. I met more people today then I have at other FORWARD or WIR events.
  - Wonderful opportunity to meet women across campus and learn what they do
  - Know lots of people in short time
  - High number of people I met
  - Getting to talk with old/new friends/colleagues!
  - Meeting other people from across the university. Name tags
  - To meet people and talk to them. Without this session, I would not be able to talk to these people
  - I was able to provide the name of a colleague to a participant today- both in same line of research but unaware.
  
3. How could this networking session be improved to be more beneficial to you?
  - It teaches us to introduce ourself efficiently
  - Holding mini-session for humanities/social sciences/sciences
  - Maybe a few more minutes per session
  - Why not included new male faculty?
  - Organize so easier to sit with people don’t know yet
  - A little more direction with conversational topics
  - Maybe have half with people who do hard sciences vs. not?
  - I am not sure
  - Do every semester! Valuable.

4. Please provide any additional comments you have about today's speedy networking session and/or the FORWARD program in general below or on the back of this page.
- It was great
  - Best FORWARD event ever!
  - I think, it is too short time to roll-on with each other. Even if we have 2 people to meet, it will be of help to have deeper conversation
  - It was fun! Thanks!
  - I thought it was extremely effective. I'll need to meet people again and review my notes to have the info "stick" but this was an excellent first step.
  - This was fun and a good way to meet new people
  - This was a fantastic event!!! I hope you host it again in the future. I will encourage other to attend
  - Loved this!
  - Work on pulling naysayers into FORWARD initiatives
  - It was a good session
  - Let's skip service. We get that☺ Provide tips in advance of session.