Chairs and Heads Meeting Developing a Culture of Evaluation and Support for Faculty Success December 15th, 2010

Attendance

Thirty-nine individuals attended and 29 completed evaluations.

Quantitative Results from the Evaluation Form

My Awareness and understanding of policies 350 and 352 has increased after today's workshop.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly Disagree	1	3.4	3.4
	Disagree	4	13.8	17.2
	Agree	15	51.7	69.0
	Strongly Agree	9	31.0	100.0
	Total	29	100.0	

I will be able to implement new strategies to create a department culture that values mentoring as

a result of my participation in this workshop.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	3	10.3	11.1
	Agree	20	69.0	85.2
	Strongly Agree	4	13.8	100.0
	Missing Data	2	6.9	
	Total	29	100.0	

I will be able to implement new strategies to create clear job descriptions that can be effectively

evaluated as a result of my participation in this workshop

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strongly Disagree	1	3.4	3.8
	Disagree	4	13.8	19.2
	Agree	14	48.3	73.1
	Strongly Agree	7	24.1	100.0
	Missing Data	3	10.3	
	Total	29	100.0	

This workshop was clear and well-organized

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	13	44.8	44.8
	Strongly Agree	16	55.2	100.0
	Total	29	100.0	

I would recommend this workshop to others

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	3	10.3	10.3
	Agree	15	51.7	62.1
	Strongly Agree	11	37.9	100.0
	Total	29	100.0	

Rate the overall quality

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Average	6	20.7	22.2
l	Above Average	18	62.1	88.9
	Excellent	3	10.3	100.0
	Missing Data	2	6.9	
	Total	29	100.0	

Qualitative Results from the Evaluation Form

- 1. What questions do you still have about utilizing the annual evaluation process as a time for mentoring faculty in your department? Also, please list any topics you would like to receive additional information about or that need further clarification.
 - Evaluation procedures & techniques, performance evaluation models.
 - Can we see examples of some beautifully composed annual evaluation letters? We are often reminded how lame we are as administrators. How about at least a glimmer of good practice on our part?
 - Do deans ever give feedback on letters? Annual letters could be evaluated.
 - Maybe evaluation and mentoring should be separate activities?
- 2. What questions do you still have about how to create a department culture that values mentoring? Also, please list any topics that you would like to receive additional information about or that need further clarification.
 - How to manage the additional demand for a faculty member's time to do this.
 - Turns out that we were unaware of who was mentoring whom! Chairs were obviously out of the loop.
 - We are a self-mentoring department.
- 3. What do you think were the most helpful or valuable aspects of the workshop you attended today?
 - Common thoughts among chairs, common problems, good reminders.
 - Reaffirming need to know policy.
 - 350.1.5 & 300.1.6.
 - We probably learn the most at our table talk—maybe even more than the stories that are shared.
 - Details on faculty evals.
 - Exercises with other chairs/heads.
 - Discussion at table.
 - Steps of evaluations.
 - Examples shared.
 - Scenarios.
 - Practicing difficult conversations.
 - Sharing ideas with other chairs about how to handle difficult situations.
 - Advice, exercises on specific feedback.
 - Discussion of criteria for evaluation letters.
 - Examples and discussion.
- 4. How could this workshop be improved to be more beneficial to you?
 - Define what is expected in terms of evaluations of faculty.
 - We repeatedly hear from nice presenters who tell us how to behave as chairs/heads when they have zero experience themselves. The mentoring presenter was experienced.
 - It assumed we had never done any of this before. Nothing new?
 - Case studies are the best.
 - Examples.
 - Provide it to the faculty.

- 5. Please provide any additional comments you have about today's workshop and/or the FORWARD program in general on the back of this page.
 - Great job overall.
 - A focused discussion of more difficult problems related to faculty evaluations, such as risk management in evaluative decisions.
 - Why aren't we told ahead of time about the topic for the meeting? Afraid nobody would show?
 - Good timing—gets us ready for writing letters.
 - Beware of unintended consequences with this program.
 - Low-cost mentoring reward: gift cards for lunch or dinner for mentors and protégée—let them pick location.
 - I have learned a lot from the FORWARD related workshops.