7-10-2019 SNS Staff Retreat Posters

- 1. What are the strengths of our school?
 - Collaboration
 - Teamwork
 - Embracing opportunities
 - DEI
 - Knowledge and skills
 - Customer service
 - Community
 - Best practices
 - Student centered
 - Training
- 2. What do we value as a school?
 - DEI (diversity)
 - Customer service
 - Embrace change
 - Community
 - Valuing staff contributions
 - Culture
 - We love students
 - Faculty success
- 3. What are our challenges as a school?
 - Young new campus
 - Support funding
 - Growth/change
 - Space issues
 - Staff morale/retention satisfaction
 - Communication/processes
 - Faculty/concerns

4. What do I personally contribute to this team and school?

- Knowledge "smarty pants"
- Emotional intelligence "touchy feely" -> self-awareness
- Design thinking "out of the box"
- Relationship building "friend zone"
- Student centered "for the kids"
- Optimism "sunshine and rainbows"
- Work ethic "Get'er done"

- 5. What risks should we take to strengthen our school?
 - Flexing
 - Disrupt status quo
 - Policy
 - Morale
 - Collaboration
 - Recruit & retain
 - Training

6. How will we know that we've had a successful year?

- Campus impact
- "UC Merced rocks"
- Faculty "road to success"
- Data rules!
- Student experience and success "student growth"
- Staff morale
- 1. What are we doing well and should continue to do?
 - DE1
 - Empowering leaders
 - Innovation
 - Go Team!
 - Student driven
 - Communicate
 - Culture and climate
 - Customer service
- 2. What systems and/or processes need to be changed/improved?
 - HR: People management. Get'er DONE!!
 - Space: the final frontier
 - Lone ranger
 - Bad hair days
 - Telecommuting
 - Systems malfunction/error
 - Communication
 - Policy & Procedures
- 3. What systems and/or processes are not in our control?
 - Buffering... does not compute...error 404...IT problems (systems)
 - Growth/space

- Ugh gotta go to the DCC
- HR
- Raise anyone?
- Where my money at?
- Campus wide
- We all got issues

4. How can we be more nimble and flexible?

- Empathetic perspectives
- Process improvement
- Leaning in
- Wellness
- Work life balance
- Shared vision
- Staff development
- Collaboration & communicate
- 5. Expectation of myself and of others
 - Your work ethic
 - Positive attitude: choose joy
 - Professional development
 - Talk
 - The common good: it's not just about you
 - Do unto others
 - Flexibility/open-minded
 - Productive
 - Step up
 - Help others

Notes from Retreat/Morning Discussion

AGREEMENTS

- Compassionate Vegas rules (what happens here, stays here)
- Patience
- Laugh
- Be open, flexible & understanding
- Be organic
- Assume positive intent
- Respect
- Step in, step out
- Honesty

Notes from Retreat/Afternoon Discussion

THEME OF THE YEAR FOR SCHOOL OF NATURAL SCIENCES

- Stop-collaborate-listen (innovate)
- Connect-collaborate-communicate
- Connection-collaboration-community
- C^3 initiative
- "Checking in" intentionally checking in
- Mixers
- Integrated/inclusive committee
- Best practices
- Events
- Professional development
- Awards and recognition (nominations)
- Qualtrics so that voices are heard
- Monthly breakfast with themes
- On the spot award
- Infiltrate get involved
- Patience
- Life balance
- Leadership all of us lead from the middle
- Nice to each other
- Stop collaborate and listen
- Connection collaborate community
- Connection through community
- Dynamic retention
- Integration to success
- Leading the way

- Connection through collaboration
- Let's connect and grow
- Leading the way through c^3
- Together we grow
- Staff empowerment
- Connection-collaboration-community
- Connection is wellness
- Balanced community
- Encouraged leadership
- Stop collaborate and listen