Q2: Which Topics or Aspects of The Talk Exchange Did You Find Most Interesting or Useful?

- The open forum, cross-department dialogue and passionate variety of voices.
- Open conversation, sharing of different opinions and experiences
- I appreciated the discussion surrounding the importance of community engagement and pedagogy.
- We concentrated on the need to encourage more research, apply for more research grants and to have an evaluation system to encourage professors to do more research.
- Getting to know all of the issues around the table and from the perspective from different faculties.
- The transparency and interconnectedness.
- Transparency leading to better communication and visibility.
- Hearing others views and experiences.
- Space management and sharing, branding consistency, research promotion (centralized), inclusivity, community and national/international outreach.
- Dialogue with colleagues from other parts of the university whom we don’t often get to speak with.
- Meeting folks from other units.
Q4: How Do You Think This Event Could Have Been Made More Effective?

- The time allocated is insufficient for the questions being asked.
- More participants from other areas.
- Have these more often.
- More time for the discussion after the individual table sessions.
- Longer sessions if possible.
- This was very effective.
- More time.
- Perhaps, strategic direction presented by administration?
- Senior administration at the table stifled the conversation. They loomed and dominated the conversation. An open and transparent forum should be confidential so no reporters and no photographers.
Q6: Further Comments or Suggestions (Including Activities or Initiatives You Think Would be Useful, for the Future)

More focused questions – not quite so global/loaded. Keep to specific issues.

Keep talking, because when we get to a goal that’s clear the work will be easy.

Would have been great to have a larger group discussion.

Don’t assume these meetings are enough, but how we act on the ideas emerging from them.

Extend the invitation to contract instructors to attend these meetings.

I came in thinking I would hear from the Board. I did not realize the Board wanted to hear from us. Good opportunity.

Thank you!

360 reviews of senior administration. The Board should ask questions, look at budgets. This is a public institution that needs accountability and checks and balances.