Overview of OAC Meeting Participation Survey Results

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| Question | Responses |
| 1. Reason to have missed a meeting |  |
| can't break away | 7 |
| unsure what's it about | 4 |
| doesn't pertain to me | 5 |
| my issues aren't relevant | 1 |
| my input isn't relevant | 3 |
| 2. Which Day(s) is best |  |
| Monday | 9 |
| Tuesday | 10 |
| Wednesday | 11 |
| Thursday | 7 |
| Friday | 9 |
| 3. What times are best |  |
| 8-10am | 6 |
| 10am-noon | 10 |
| 1-3pm | 13 |
| 3-5pm | 6 |
| 7-9pm | 2 |
| 4. Specific schedule for topics? |  |
| YES | 13 |
| NO | 6 |
| 5. Favor Breakout times |  |
| YES | 14 |
| NO | 2 |

# Comments for missing meetings:

* New to position
* On vacation, tech issues
* Unforeseen illness or problem
* Other priorities
* rarely misses, would be because of another meeting or I'm gone
* attends meetings now but hadn't in past, didn't know what they were about, feels ODIN has a good grasp on things, wonderful work being done
* have made most but sometimes my schedule conflicts
* not sure it pertains to my library
* hadn't attended cuz didn't think CRL was big enough to matter, now knows issues & ideas from their library are important
* schedules change
* campus-specific come up at last minute

# Other Reasons

* Teaching schedule
* Prioritizes OAC meeting
* library is specialized, teaching or subbing, don't feel comfortable attending as I know Linda A can help, is content with what majority decides
* small two-person library, hard to get away
* not sure this pertains to me - one person library
* not sure librarian job will exist at end of summer - I will be working remotely in Minot, ND
* scheduling conflicts
* As Director, far removed from ILS, would like information on advanced features or public-facing features to excite my patrons
* one-person library, set schedule may help but only if patrons are not in library
* discussions at OAC are not geared to schools, find it more helpful to send email to Linda A & get on with day
* am/in library 1/2 time pm/classes & commitments
* continue to allow institutional reps if director can't make it
* Alma issues/tricks, sharing of regional/national conferences

# Other Ideas

* new to position
* OAC is a priority in professional life
* OAC should "not" try to replicate/take over User Groups
* scheduling specific discussion would be helpful so either staff may split and attend certain areas of meeting
* perhaps different director meetings for different types, I am a little intimidated to attend meetings with librarians from universities when librarian is small part of job
* Tuning in at a specific time & learn something specific & focused is best, a two hour meeting with librarians talking about their libraries isn't useful to me
* prefer Team meetings or visits from Linda A to zero in on specific problem solving for my library
* wants ODIN to work with NDUS on OER, institutional subscription to Hathi Trust, support advocacy & a mentoring program, perhaps cross-mentoring

# Discussion Topics

* how to finance ODIN
* which databases to license
* training on resources-learning proper use
* technical support
* library activities around ND
* more ODIN Office updates
* library system updates most topics are useful would have liked to hear session on "keeping libraries relevant" - we have to constantly justify our time - seems no one knows what we do
* Updates
* general Polaris/Leap info
* funding, legislation for libraries
* serving low incidence populations
* Tips & Sharing workflows
* miss face-to-face meetings, looking forward to ODIN visits, likes one-on-one
* Polaris enhancements
* Polaris training for staff
* leverage OPAC features to meet user expectation
* statewide database use cases
* how to create efficiencies to offer better service to patrons likes knowing what ODIN is doing
* Info on Polaris updates.
* Repeating information is always a good thing.
* how to borrow items from Alma when I am a Polaris library
* Using Simply Reports to find useful info like an inventory report
* offer professional development/webinars such as Advocacy, Diversity/Equity/ Inclusion, Accessibility challenges & solutions
* supporting sustainable scholarship
* partnering/ collaboration opportunities among types of libraries really enjoy learning what's happening at other libraries
* Role of libraries-recruitment, retention, graduation, short/mid/long term consequences of budget cuts
* understanding ODIN costs & fees
* demographics & shrinking of Higher Ed, opportunities for greater synergies & collaboration at state level Serving patrons during COVID
* dealing with patrons refusing to wear mask
* helping calm staff anxiety about interacting with patrons
* creating the future (what services/resources to take forward/leave behind)
* how to keep staff engaged and excited
* moving forward after COVID; emerging library services, resources, and technology Alma, OER, new database acquisitions