Overall meeting summary for February 9, 2024

Attending: Katy M, Lisa J, Howard C, Martin S, Dale, Nicky S, Mari P, Ed C

The group discussed budget cuts and their impact on the university, particularly in regards to the library's cancellations and the need for advocacy. L expressed desire to adapting workshops for and Antonio, while R showed interest in the cabinet and deans' workshop. Speakers raised concerns about data mining and retaliation, and Speaker discussed the low response rate in the campus and workplace culture survey. Additionally, Speaker proposed organizing an event focused on LGBTQ issues, and Speaker inquired about the best way to advocate for keeping certain databases despite vendor concerns. The group also discussed the transformative potential of storytelling and performance art for fostering empathy and understanding towards marginalized communities, including a potential Modus theater event featuring autobiographical monologues from formerly incarcerated and undocumented individuals.

Action Items

* + Send student stories email template to committee members to collect stories
  + Follow up with Faculty Council about partnering for Motus Theatre event funding.
  + Contact Nate Thompson about Motus Theatre event funding.
  + Contact Ethnic Studies about Motus Theatre event funding.
  + Contact Women and Gender Studies about Motus Theatre event funding.
  + Contact Joel Rubin about Motus Theatre event funding.
  + Meet with Motus Theatre to discuss event details and budget
  + Contact Antwan Jefferson about scheduling LGBTQ+ workshop for SEHD.

Lisa Johansen is going to attend the FA meeting on 2/27.

Howard Cook is going to attend the FA meeting on 3/5.

We would like to start the next LGBTQ+ FA meeting with discussing action items with respect to the lack of action on system updates. Are we collecting student stories....what can we do.