

# **LATTICE, Inc.**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTIONS 2008-1**

### **LATTICE Monthly Sessions**

The LATTICE Board of Directors adopted the following resolution:

#### **Monthly Session Elements:**

- Well-structured, substantive presentations
- Well-structured, substantive small group interaction (discussion)
- In addition to the small group interaction (discussion) incorporate additional interactive activity. For example, question and answers with presenter; fish bowl; interactive presentation by speaker; carousel; pair-share; jigsaw, etc.
- International members included at each table during Small Group Discussion
- Application of learning from LATTICE to students (classrooms)

#### **Monthly Session Agendas:**

- A broad thematic approach may be used annually. For example, the 2005-06 theme was globalization, 2006-07 was education, and 2007-08 was the environment.
- Each Session agenda should include the following:
  - Social hour from 12:00 to 12:30; a later time slot for the Break; and a timekeeper to help speakers.
  - Multiple opportunities to fill out the Two Minute Survey and a system for turning it in.
  - Time for Names and News
  - Multiple opportunities for small group discussions
  - Use of a variety of effective and innovative teaching strategies

#### **Attendance:**

The Monthly Session Director is responsible for regularly monitoring Session attendance which is a critical issue. It is important to understand and respond to actions and events that contribute to or impede attendance.

#### **Volunteers:**

The Monthly Sessions Director shall identify groups of volunteers to assist before, during, and after each Monthly Session. Volunteers should become part of the norm and culture for activities such as clean up, set up, and serving on the Food Committee, and other similar activities.

#### **Small Group Discussion:**

This is a critical issue and the Monthly Sessions Director shall continue to explore how to have more depth in small group discussions. This includes operationally exploring what does “depth” mean in terms of our use of time, expectations of participants, connections between Sessions, and preparation by participants?

Also, the Monthly Sessions Director shall continue to determine meaningful topics / themes.

**Learning Community:**

The Monthly Sessions Director shall pursue identifying the visible elements of an engaged learning community. This will include issues such as:

- Significant membership
- Monthly Session participants staying for entire Session.
- Analysis and follow-up action based on learning from Two-Minute Survey.
- Monthly Session Director monitoring and adjusting each Session so it will be conducted to assure engaged conversations, diversity at each table, and sound pace and depth of presentation.
- Monitoring and adjusting each Session

**Controversial Issues:**

This is another critical issue related to the effectiveness of LATTICE Monthly Sessions. The Monthly Sessions Director shall continue to explore various approaches to encourage and improve discussion of controversial issues.