

### 1. Dinner / Governance History

- The food was excellent. “Stump Craig” was a lot of fun.
- Good way to complete boring topic
- Fun – should definitely repeat “Stump Craig”
- Enjoyed the social hour before dinner. Good to have the President and the Provost present.
- Dinner 5, presentation 3, funny but an actual short synopsis would have been good for us newbies. 4 opportunity to grill the interim President.
- Good motivation to read document.
- Loved the “Stump Craig” game. Jan Clark should be in charge of the retreat “fun” every year. Great food.
- No real vegetarian option.
- Format was highly effective.
- Instructive.
- I liked it – especially “Stump Craig”
- A summary of the evolving concept/function of the senate – this is covered in the form, but some memories of how things used to function, how they are better now would be quite interesting.
- Good food – very good “Stump Craig”
- Food was a major improvement.
- The “Stump Craig” actually got me to read and pick out details of the history. It was the first time I paid attention to history – engaged learning.
- Game was fun – “Stump Craig” – enjoyed the creative way to learn history. President’s address was informational.
- Loved the “Stump Craig” format. Good food – happy with no host bar.

### 2. Orientation: Structure & Purpose

- Enjoyed this year’s orientation
- A lot of info quickly, nice to have the handout for later review.
- Worth a few extra minutes.
- Good doc.
- Good.
- Had trouble following organization.
- All new – loved hearing more. (smiley face)

### 3. Shared Governance Breakout

- Good reminder of why we are here
- I liked how we broke up into smaller groups
- Ineffective due to members of group – closed-minded
- Good meeting
- Great discussion in my group.
- Breakout sessions need a little more structure to avoid general “vent” sessions.
- Good discussion.
- Wonderful.
- Needed appointed [discussion] leader.

- Reasonable.
- More conversations on this are needed.
- The Provost had vote of no confidence when writing that column (Chronicle of Higher Ed article).

#### 4. Committee Breakout Session

- Good pre-planning meeting
- Good meetings
- I will let my committee members evaluate my performance, but I was pleased with the results.
- Breakout sessions need a little more structure to avoid general “vent” sessions.
- Ok, but my committee didn’t meet.
- Good.
- Seeing some examples of proposals from the previous year would be helpful.
- Much better than last year.
- These were really helpful.
- Would like more emphasis in full group on the tasks.
- Very confusing, unstructured.
- Very helpful.

#### 5. Complete Georgia College

- Excellent – I enjoyed the retreat away from the college and for those who came an excellent bonding experience.
- I had not done the reading, a little more direction would have been helpful, we got a little side-tracked but still came up with suggestions. Matthew Liao-Troth’s visit was very helpful.
- Interesting but unexpected task.
- Weird.
- Not sure what we were accomplishing in that discussion.
- Time constraints limited this – interesting project though.
- Much better than last year.
- Don’t think we really were prepared for this.
- Large task for short time.
- Interesting.

#### 6. Lunch

- Excellent food
- Nice!
- Great food.
- Great food.
- Fine.
- More healthy options.
- Salty.
- Good food – pecan pie (smiley face)

#### 7. Mock University Senate Meeting

- Good idea!

- Very informational.
- Very helpful. Great to see that we have a sense of humor.
- Good walk-through.
- Helpful.
- Fine.
- USEFUL! Not really “mock”
- Very informative.
- Fun.

#### 8. Overall Effectiveness of the Retreat

- See front comment (Guessing they referred to: Excellent – I enjoyed the retreat away from the college and for those who came an excellent bonding experience.)
- Send us the info earlier – maybe some of us would have done more homework. The handouts/materials were helpful.
- Not a big fan of the off-campus approach, but it worked.
- Good.
- Catherine Whelan – awesome. Craig – awesome. First breakout session awesome!
- Thanks for the commitment to the senate members and university as a whole. Site was disappointing – mole in room.
- Very good use of time.
- I very much like the small group interaction as a new senator, I am still a bit confused about some of my responsibilities / logistics. I am sure I will pick it up. Generally, I'd like to see us find more time for important discussions about our goals as an institution and visioning for the senate. The retreat seems a good time.
- Best one I've been to!
- Great.
- Nice opportunity to network and learn more about role.

#### 9. Feedback Scheduling (Dates, Times) (Travel, Refreshments) Location (Site)

- Good retreat
- Overall the retreat went well. I would have it a week earlier to avoid overlap with other university events. Also I would have the retreat over a few days, that way we would/could enjoy the retreat location.
- Terrible dates! Last week would have been better / Difficult time to get away from campus. Location was nice to get away – but would have been better to be close to Milledgeville.
- Lunch was fine with me, but did hear several comments regarding vegetarian.
- Good timing.
- Scheduling good, Travel/refreshments good. Location/site great. Thanks for not making it the previous week – it was nice to have healthy food – location was beautiful – may want to consider closer location, but I would rather travel to a nice location than be on campus or in a less pleasant one. Location has an effect on mood.
- Nice.
- I can appreciate the intent of the off-site location – to help us build camaraderie – however faculty are very busy, especially this time of year. It is difficult to

arrange for our other obligations (both family and professional) – and because of this can actually cost us money personally to make arrangements. Plus, we missed our program/department assessment time.

- I wish we'd had more time to explore the gardens.
- Outstanding! Thanks for all the hard work!
- I wish it had been last week. This is the worst possible week to be gone for two days. Six hours of travel – four hours plus 25 minutes total meeting time (excluding lunch and breaks).
- Loved the bus availability and retreat location.
- It seems a long way to travel for a meeting, and not spend time at the site. Perhaps next year it could be at a site closer to Milledgeville. Indian Springs??
- Everything was great.
- Location too far and not a good value for the cost.
- Travel was nice. Maybe it could be a little closer?
- The location allowed senators to focus on the meeting itself rather than dealing with the issues on campus. Food – excellent!!
- Ok.
- I think it would be great to meet earlier in August (even Aug 1) for the retreat. Lots going on during this time – so close to classes starting.
- Great event.