

Concurrent Session 2B - Future workshops & meetings

Report-Out

Formats for Connections

- Can we have clusters that meet (regional meetings)? Set own agendas
 - o Some areas are geographically more isolated.
- Would be helpful to have groups that meet on topical issues
 - o Would be helpful to have topical groups for different participants
 - o Maybe have lunch groups on specific topics –mix structured vs. unstructured time
 - o Component of larger workshop (possibly 2 groups – tech vs. education – or vote on topics to cover in more detail)
 - o Have to have mechanism for cross-pollination
 - Possibly a swap of groups
 - o Has been helpful with panels at this workshop
- Virtual forums
 - o Possibly for topical groups
 - o Twitter or Facebook groups
 - o Google Docs groups
 - o Sphercasts or webcasts
- Piggyback onto other professional groups – ASTC, AGU, AZA, AAAS, Planetarium Associations (IPS), NAAEE, NMEA, IAAPA, NSTA, etc.
 - o Collaboratively schedule sessions
 - o Query network to see who will be attending
 - Possibly using Yahoo Users Groups
 - Ask network members to represent the network
- Meetings at Sea!!

When/where for in person workshops?

- NISE network has regional meetings and annual meeting (3 days)
- 3-day workshops
- Possibly with pre- or post- meetings (such as new installations, sphere content production hands-on tutorial, best practices in docent training)
- Specified time of year – would helpful for people to plan.
- Frequency – what is driver of technological innovations?
 - o 18 months with regular periodicity

- Nice to see other installations, so move around workshop

Who Plans

- Call for planning committee.