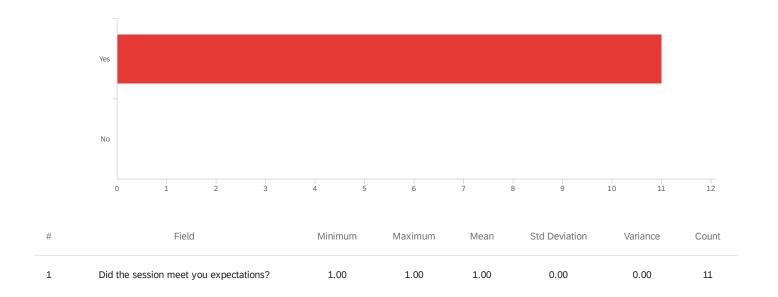
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Other Side of the Game Session Survey July 12, 2021 7:21 AM MDT

Q8 - Did the session meet you expectations?



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1	Yes	100.00% 11
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Q7 - Why or why not?

Why or why not?

There are a few contributing factors to why this book club met expectations. The book/play was excellent, challenged thinking, made the reader part of the various conversations, the reader became a witness and felt the emotions and the silence thrust on the characters. Celina was incredible. She pushed the group to think, feel, be present in the discussion and to learn. Celina's clarity took the poignancy of the book and engaged the group in discussing the important areas like: empathy, forgetting being the problem and so many other parts of the book/play.

The conversation was far beyond what I expected. Very rich, and made so relevant by Celina's direction of the discussion.

I found her very engaging and she really dug deep to show perspectives I may not have otherwise seen.

It exceeded my expectations. The discussion was deep and Celina was an excellent facilitator and educator.

It exceeded my expectations

A good discussion that walked through most of the book.

Excellent facilitator, fulsome and meaningful discussion

This session was excellent! I learned so much and felt the discussion was powerful, had forward momentum while allowing us to think, absorb and process the content, perspective and information.

The moderator far exceeded my expectations. Her knowledge and insight on the topic was valuable and well spoken.

Q2 - What single insight stays with you the most after reading the book Other Side of the

Game?

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Especially in light of the continued current horrific events involving this nations Indigenous peoples and residential schools, 'Forgetting history is a strategic tool of the status quo' made me stop dead in my tracks to think.

How tenuous trust and hope can be

That our privilege means we have responsibility to do something with it, and we can help shape and influence marginalized students through fundraising, etc.

the lack of hope in dante

The complexity of the system and the barriers within it. The role of women and the barriers they faced within their own community and how they differed from men, or for perceived outsiders/newcomers to the movement.

The huge impact that institutional and systemic barriers(/racism) can have on lives and even generations of equity-seeking groups, even when they only occasionally interact with those barriers.

It's a short play that, through the story, says a lot about system oppression (in particular, racism, sexism/patriarchy, and economic). It highlights a few elements of intersectionality and shows them at play.

Devonte's lack of hope/vision for a future and how this runs through the other characters' lives.

PRESS Celina was fabulous. Her explanation of the PESS Model was incredible. Empathy, equity creating value, was transformative for me.

Q5 - What did you find surprising? Challenging? Liberating? Hopeful?

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This session was incredible. The whole thing. Celina was a perfect choice to run the session. It was a very powerful session. (That doesn't actually answer the question, but it was one of my take-aways)

I wasn't really looking forward to reading the play, but I loved it. I was challenged by the blatant unfairness of how the system and its gatekeepers control situations with no thought to what they are doing.

The emotional connection to the characters. How I can see myself in these characters and understand where they are coming from but also see the differences, the power and privilege that I have.

The depth of material in such a short read was surprising. Throughout our conversation I felt, physically unwell, literally stomach-turning from time to time, thinking about how challenging it must be for some and how hopeless people may feel. As a first-gen student myself, it's only now, looking back, having these conversations, that I consider how privileged I was as a white, straight, cis woman. Such as lack of consequences for personal failures or automatic forgiveness's for mistakes made. At the same time some of the struggles we discussed, such as struggling to stay afloat and get through university or voices of those who don't support you felt all too familiar. I had no idea how to navigate the university system or what supports were available and have experienced rejection/dismissiveness when reaching out for help. I can only imagine what it may be like for someone who is BIPOC or LGBTQ. It makes me want to do better, to identify barriers and help break them down, in whatever small way I can both at work and at home. And there, I suppose is where the hope lies.

I was surprised how much was packed into just over 100 pages.

The lack of progress between the two eras depicted.

So many things: surprising - 'we are thinking bigger than boxes' challenging - 'redress is to bring balance' - different from addressing equity (eyes now open to this - challenging in a moving forward and needed way!) liberating - 'sprinkle seeds that create roots to bring people together through empathy' hopeful - hearing the stories, learning the names, empathizing, we can make sure people aren't forgotten

Q4 - Was there anything in particular that you had hoped would be covered or addressed

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NA

The session was far more engaging and interesting than I expected.

So much more was covered in than I expected.

It would have been interesting to explore and discuss the role of gender as well

The session could have covered intersectionality more (economic and patriarchal oppression were major themes for all characters).

It was thorough - nothing to add!

NA

Q9 - Do you have any recommendations for improvements for future book talks?

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This was a great format: excellent moderator very good book selection Thank you for this chance to gather and learn as a group.

It would have been nice to see more people on the call - the discussion is so important

I would like to see more leadership attend EDII educational sessions like this. There were only 2 ALT members and 1 manager.

I was nervous about the smaller group, but it turned out well. Very interesting dialogue. As always it think it's important we create a welcoming and safe space for anyone who choses to participate. Celina excelled in this regard.

Not an improvement, but I think having a facilitator that was very familiar and well-versed with the book and the content was a huge benefit. Celina was a fantastic discussion facilitator.

No this was great, and though there were other major themes to explore from the book, it is impossible to cover everything on such major systemic topics (in a single discussion).

A good facilitator makes it work!

Amazing!!! Thank you so much for this exceptional experience.

End of Report