# Presidential Search Input Session Notes

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**Responses to 1st Question:**
What qualities, characteristics, and criteria are desired in a new president of MSU?

- Speak truth
- Work with compassion
- Set up MSU for the next 75 years
- Student life outside of class—recreation, health and wellness facilities
- Designate student fee to rec and health facilities
- External candidate
- Understands sexual violence, support survivors
- Gender, race, class understanding, demonstrate commitment to these groups
- Community
- Support students, faculty, staff
- Voting power for community in decision making
- Understands, practice balance of power
- Legitimate authority comes from people
- Active listening
- Collaboration
• Truth to power at all levels
• Emotional intelligence
• Alternative view points
• Share and distribute power across campus
• Familiar with founding documents of government

Responses to 2nd Question:
Higher education is facing many challenges today. What do you consider to be the major challenges facing MSU?

• Cell phones—changing the way students think
• University as certification – can you do this, this
• Other half more general education
• Technology lacking
• Use broadband to expand our reach and help people
• Don’t trust Board and process, president
• Community disconnected from leadership
• Restore trust—community lost trust in Board
• Transform culture—disconnected, silent
• Rape culture on campus
• MSU has motivation and momentum after Nasser to change culture
• Lack of respect and resources, benefits to adjust professors
• Salary levels poor
• Need national search—external with credentials
• Can be elite with being elitist
• humility
**Responses to 3rd Question:**
Focusing on the future, what do you consider to be important strengths and opportunities for MSU?

- Understands surface issues and big picture
- How to respond to issues campus wide—ex. Parking
- Use social media to gauge issues on campus—sense of what is going on
- Students need more voice on campus
- Return to priority of MSU – students
- Involve students in decision making process
- People on campus care about sexual assault culture and how to change it
- Leadership needs to provide direction on how to fix culture
- People exist on campus to make MSU number one for safety, reporting practices, taking care of victims, survivors
- Chanel energy that exists to be model of safety

**General Comments:**
| Other: |  |