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To whom it may concern:

One might say we were in a rut. Our student organization workshops facilitated by the department had consistent attendance and positive feedback, but since we are constantly striving to keep things innovative, we decided to bring in some help. Cue Amy Climer of Climer Consulting. Since one of her many areas of expertise include the creative process, I knew that Amy could guide us along the path of being more imaginative and instill creativity in others. Having had the pleasure of co-facilitating with Amy, I knew that her approach would be professional, student-centered, and flexible to our needs. My expectations were met in all areas.

Amy took the time to learn about the goals for the consultation, and plan the workshops accordingly. We were combining two half-day programs that would serve as a professional development opportunity for members of the Division of Student Affairs as well as a leadership development workshop for members of student organizations. The focus was on the many elements that are involved in the creative process, including ideation, addressing assumptions, and leading a creative team.

Both the student and staff audiences gave us very positive reviews. Quantitatively, 100% of the professional staff participants responded that Amy demonstrated great knowledge of the topics, distributed great handouts, and improved their ability to participate in and lead the creative process. They were so engaged that staff members were asking for a longer opportunity (our sessions were 3-4 hours) next time, and some have stayed connected to Amy through her newsletters. The students echoed the response of the staff, and added that they enjoyed the various styles of learning opportunities that Amy provided. The exercises allowed them reflect upon their own experiences and also interact with each other to learn from the community.

Overall, I would highly recommend Amy and Climer Consulting to others. Her experiential learning methods are engaging and thought provoking. Her facilitation style not only helps to improve individual practices, but also prepares those individuals to improve the performance of others. It was a pleasure working with Amy, and we look forward to bringing her back to campus again.

Sincerely,



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