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Building Opportunities Through Leadership Development

BOLD : Building Rural and Underserved Populations Utilizing Extension Collaborations

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Development

- Statewide focus groups
- Analyzed results
- More parishes interested in grassroots leadership to increase community involvement



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Development of BOLD

- Statewide assessment.
- What is a leader?
- Are leaders born?



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Theory of Development

- Extension Collaborations
- Teamwork vs. Individual



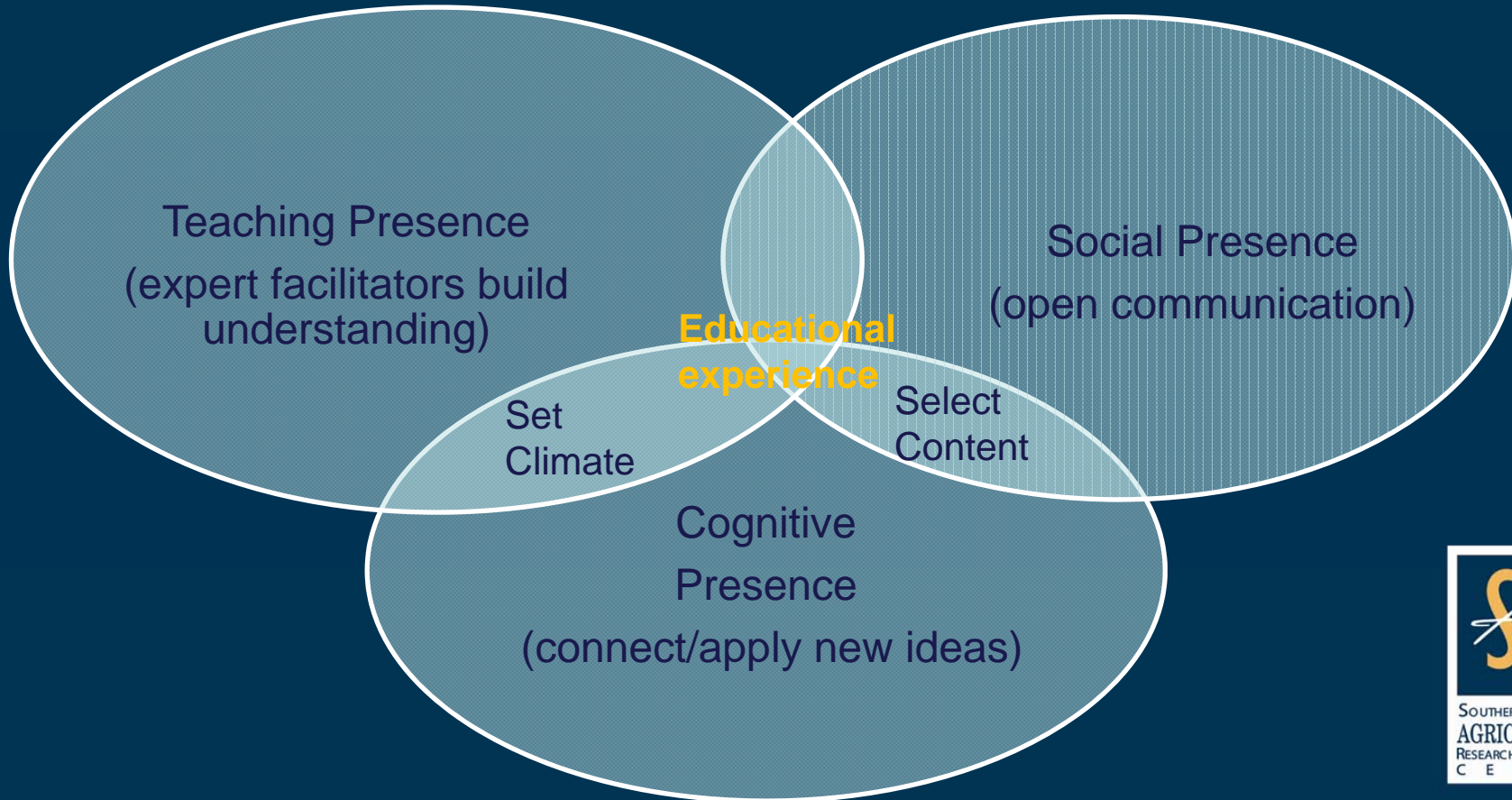
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Community of Inquiry Model

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Implementation

- Curriculum development
- Nonformal & Informal learning environment



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Session Titles:

- Leadership
 - Team Building
 - Group Leadership Skills
- Community Vision and Change
 - Community Assessment
 - Motivation
 - Communication
 - Conflict Management
 - Negotiation Skills



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- Parish Level
 - Parish agents
 - Community groups
 - Senior citizens
 - Parents
 - Youth
 - Locally funded
- Results as of 2010...
 - Empowered community leaders
 - Increased community\organizational involvement
 - Build social networks
 - Establish long-term community capacity
 - Increased self-esteem
 - Indigenous leaders



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- State Level
 - Director
 - Participants selected statewide from rural and underserved populations
 - Community project
 - In state/Out of state travel
 - Year long class
 - USDA funded project
 - Statewide
 - Area experts in leadership topics
 - Curriculum/workbook



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Is BOLD making a difference?



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Local Leadership Activities:

- Youth Groups
- Religious based organizing
- Housing
- Food Bank
- Health Awareness
- Woman Based Business Organizing



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Is Activity Sustainable?

- Monthly contact
- Project required to be on-going vs. one-time
- Project director visits



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Questions/Comments



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