

Visioning Dialogue Group – Generations session 2
Wednesday, August 30, 2006
City Council Chambers

Present: Jennifer DeWalt, Kendrick Marshall, Becky Maggart, Nancy Sinclair, Jim Brewer, Debb Hickman, Mechele Grimes, Stephanie Hoff, and Dave Amick
Facilitating: Gregg Hanson, Jennifer Adams

Members introduced themselves and an overview of the process and last session results were given. Members were then split into two groups to discuss issues raised at the last session, trends and articles given out. They were asked to consider the following questions: 1) Based on the key factors identified last time and the trend-pactors we have selected, what 3 ideas do you think will be important to Northeast Nebraska in 2026? And 2) Based on the Innovation article, what ideas/connections may help Northeast Nebraska prepare for 2026?

These are the results from the two groups:

Group 1 – trend’s question

- 1) The evolution of work/workforce
- 2) Immigration
 - A. Freelance contract/compensation
 - B. Internationally working
- 3) Population Aging
 - A. Cost
 - B. Housing
 - C. Wellness/health/workers
- 4) Technology
 - A. Access
 - B. Infrastructure
 - C. Education

Article question:

- 1) flexible and adaptable
- 2) increasing homogenization

Group 2 – trend’s question

- 1) Ethnic Integration
- 2) Education
 - a. Technology
 - b. Creativity
 - c. Communication
- 3) Economics
 - a. Job creation
 - b. Business Creation
 - c. Health care – costs/prevention
 - d. Workforce
 - e. Housing

For the last half hour members looked at the issues that were indicated and discussed how they would change in twenty years.