

"Building a Global Virtual Community of Practice for the Permaculture Transition

Movement" - Outline (PDF) in support of 2016 Northwest Permaculture Convergence

Workshop (10/9/2016): "Tearing Down the Silos - Integrating Permaculture, Transition,

SpiritNature and Mythology" - Presented by Willi Paul, Mythologist, Planetshifter.com

- Workshop Outline -

- [1.] What are some key ethics and principles from the Permaculture Transition Movement?
- + Caring for the community
- + Localization
- + Sharing

+ Resilience + DIY + others [2.] Learning from What Exists Today –

Chamber of Commerce -

A chamber of commerce is a business network whose goal is to advocate for businesses. Local businesses are members, and they elect a board of directors or executive council to set policy for the chamber. The board or council then hires a President, CEO or Executive Director, plus staffing appropriate to size, to run the organization.

Virtual Community of Practice (VCoP) -

'A Virtual Community of Practice (VCoP) is a group of people who share a craft, vision and/or a profession with the goal of sharing knowledge related to a specific field. VCoP's are not new phenomena: this type of learning has existed for as long as people have been learning and sharing their experiences online through storytelling.'

Neighborhood Mythology Program -

5 Desired Outcomes -

- + Transition Movement: Community Building
- + Revitalized Power of Old Mythology
- + Enhanced neighborhood and community trust
- + Improved Writing, Illustration and Storytelling Skills
- + Spreading Permaculture and Transition Values

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- [3.] What does the Permaculture Transition Movement vision look like?
- + Leveraging all energies and expertise
- + Not a profit taking endeavor
- + Sharing or convergence model
- + Create and integrate both city and rural hubs
- + Use the existing school facilities, teachers and funding
- + Increase political power as a super group Win seats to councils and teach the wider community
- + Visioning as dominate community process for ideas and implementation

+ Grassroots – bottom up first
+ Efficiency in time and energy is increased
+ Transform passive competition between groups (money, people power, facilities, land, sponsors, etc.)
+ Training worldwide
+ Skill-building at the individual level
+ Build local resilience and connections close to home
+ Strive to live for the land–not just with it or from it
+ Engage people to strengthening their communities
+ Align with the wider global sustainability movement
+ Diversify a sharing, local economy
+ Combine journeys and story elements from both movements for new myths
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[4.] Possible Services of a Virtual Community of Practice for the Permaculture Transition Movement -
+ Not for profit work
+ Sponsoring Events
+ Community Visioning
+ Position papers
+ Outreach support to mainstream
+ Consultant Pool
+ Evolved Code of Ethics
+ Solutions Provider
+ Resilience (is, part, the combining these movements)
+ LinkedIn Groups or Meet-ups are possible free community channels
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[5.] Primary Reference -

"<u>PermTrans - It's Time to Merge the Transition and Permaculture movements</u>" - Agenda by Willi Paul, Planetshifter.com Media