Prepared by Kevin Morooney, alone, in a vacuum. YMMV. Gathering of signals from TechEx Monday Lunch Session, 16 October 2017

- Skills/Workforce
 - Skills development
 - Retention
- IAM as a campus priority
 - Strong need for value proposition
 - o IAM is rarely a priority, almost always an afterthought
 - o Desire to get service provider requirements into procurement processes
- Commercial Service Provider dynamics
 - Onboarding
 - Requirements enforcement
 - Desire to get service provider requirements into procurement processes
- Commercial competition
 - Seen as a method of dealing with complexity of OSS solutions and the difficulty in developing a skilled workforce
 - o "New" commercial offerings are starting to become "good enough"
- Research vs. IT
 - IT is fighting to make IAM a campus priority and doesn't differentiate between research needs and commercial needs
 - Research can't get what it needs because IT is fighting for sustenance
 - Tie to IAM as campus priority and the need for a value proposition that research needs to be a part of
 - Research loses out in the "needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few" dynamic
- Ease of use of tools, techniques
 - Tools and solutions need to be made simpler, easier to configure, install, maintain, adapt
 - o Related to scarcity of skills, length of time to develop skills