

Strategic Planning Steering Committee Meeting

May 7, 2020

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Via Google Hangouts

AGENDA

- General feedback from theme committee meetings and the campus forum regarding the relevance and resonance of the “education justice” and “student-ready university”
- Review of Draft “Integrated” Strategic Plan incorporating, among other things, previously missing initiatives relating to environmental sustainability and SPSC’s discussion of coronavirus crisis-related lessons learned with long-term strategic implications
 - *Factoring in feedback/input from the theme committees:*

Specific recommendations for where/how we might need or want to amend the draft ...

 - either to address a significant concern,
 - or to clarify something that clearly was unclear/confusing,
 - or to incorporate a strategically valuable suggestion/idea that the group (as opposed to one individual) seemed to consider important.
 - *Based on new content to be incorporated:*

Any additions to the recommended implementation priorities on pp. 12-14?
- Preparing to Champion the Strategic Plan
 - What are the three to five most exciting and/or transformative aspects of this plan that you would expect and hope faculty, staff, alumni, trustees, donors, and the BHE also will be excited about and eager to rally behind? Why will FSU be an even better choice/option for students than it is today? Where might BHE point to FSU as a model or leader? What do you look forward to celebrating five years from now, and what strategic plan-induced progress or achievement(s) will make the entire FSU community most proud?
 - If you had to give this strategic plan draft a title, what would it be? And what would be in the first paragraph? (Sell it!)
- Next steps in the process
 - Submission of draft plan to President Lapidus and EC: week of May 11
 - Draft plan (tweaked as necessary based on EC feedback) posted for the campus community’s review: May 15-28
 - SPSC’s deliverables formally submitted to the president and EC: May 29
 - Potentially a virtual meeting of the SPSC (those who are available) and the president and provost to present/discuss the deliverables

Mission

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