



STRATEGIC PLANNING COUNCIL

Wednesday, November 21, 2019

Ammerman Campus
William J. Lindsay Life Sciences Building, Room 128

MINUTES

In attendance:

Nina Acquavita
Dr. Christopher Adams
MaryLou Araneo
Shady Azzam-Gomez
Dr. Paul Beaudin
Dr. Caroline Burns
Lisa Calla
Dr. Janet Haff
Dr. Mark Harris

Arlene Jackson
Dr. Camille Karlson
Myung-Chul Kim
Theodore Koukounas
Thomas Law
Daniel Linker
Amy Mueller-Seal
Dr. Patty Munsch-Eilbeck

Dr. Jeffrey Pedersen
Dr. Irene Rios
Raymond Roses
David Schneider
Denny Teason
Christina Vargas
Dr. Helen Wittmann
Joshua Wolfson

Professor Theodore Koukounas began the meeting at 3:52pm. He welcomed the membership and advised that there is no formal agenda as this meeting is merely an opportunity for the Council to gather and work on the 2020-2027 Strategic Plan. The minutes from the last meeting on November 6, 2019 will be held and reviewed for approval at the next meeting.

Dr. Jeffrey Pedersen advised that today the Council will break up into groups to discuss the Strategic Plan draft document. Previous attempts to solicit ideas have been unsuccessful so breaking down into smaller groups to discuss and write down recommendations may be more beneficial. The groups may be of the members' own choosing but hopefully will be made up of members with differing opinions to encourage true discussion.

The Council should come up with an umbrella statement where values can be added but were advised to please keep the goals manageable because more goals mean more assessment will need to be done.

Professor Koukounas stated that the ideas and recommendations will be collected at the end of the session to be incorporated into a revised Strategic Plan draft. The revised draft will be sent out to the

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membership for another review before the next meeting. A reminder was given that the documents on Blackboard and personal work experience can help inform ideas.

Dr. Pedersen reminded the membership that values are inherent and held sacred and from our goals we derive measurable institutional objectives with key performance indicators tied to those objectives.

The Council will also need to review the College's current mission statement and make changes or possibly construct a new one. Dr. Pedersen stated that he and Professor Koukounas are looking for volunteers to be part of that subcommittee. The idea is to come up with three statements: one long, one medium and one short – to see which suits the College best.

With nothing further to discuss, the membership broke up into groups of three or four members and began discussions.