

Item: SP: I-2

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 20, 2010

SUBJECT: OUTLINING A PROCESS FOR FUTURE STRATEGIC PLANNING

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Request: Information Only

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Energizing the strategic planning process at FAU will begin with the appointment of a new steering committee. Membership of this committee will expand to cover a wide range of campus constituencies including trustees, administrators, faculty, staff, and students. The President will provide a charge to the steering committee so the group can begin their deliberations in Fall 2010. This committee will be chaired by Vice President for Strategic Planning and Information Technology.

The steering committee will build on strengths of the prior FAU planning exercises and focus on creating a new framework for the future that is effective, transparent, and on-going. This committee will assess statewide, regional, and other trends that are likely to impact FAU. It will also look at identifying important elements of the University's mission that should be preserved and identify key long and short-term priorities. The next round of strategic planning will achieve clear progress in permeating planning initiatives down to the level of academic and non-academic units. It will also identify how budgeting will be linked to FAU's strategic plan.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

August – September	Prepare 2010 Strategic Plan Progress Update for trustee's retreat, review existing college and unit level plans, and attend college planning meetings
October – December	Convene new steering committee to begin rethinking and revitalizing the planning process and set goals for Spring 2011
January – March	Organize planning meeting and workshops, including a campus wide roundtable facilitated by the Learning Alliance

April – May Seek feedback from campus groups, conduct environmental scanning,

commission targeted reports, organize forums, speakers, town-hall meetings,

and conduct surveys

June-August Frame strategic issues and integrate various choices to blend divergent ideas

into a common vision and draft the new plan with goals, strategies and

tactics

August – October Engage all constituencies in discussion of goals and priorities through a well

developed communication strategy

November – December Units align their plans with the campus plan and the steering committee

refines accountability measures, performance metrics, and tracking

procedures

On-going Publish annual reports and benchmarks to be used as an index of measuring

progress each Fall, and integrate FAU's strategic planning with BOG's Work

Plans

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

Supporting Documentation: N/A

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