

STRATEGIC PLANNING TASK FORCE

September 24, 2015 @ 3 p.m.

Starlight Room

Attendees: Emily Dean (Co-Chair), Marv Dodge (Co-Chair), Mitch Bealer, Keith Bradshaw, Tina Calamity, Brandon Day, Terri Day, Briget Eastep, Eric Kirby, Dave Lunt, Shauna Mendini, Mary Pearson, James Sage, Jared Wilcken, Scott Wyatt, Jennifer Oberhelman (recorder)

Emily Dean welcome attendees at 3:05 and handed out the previous week's minutes. The assignment this week are to work on goals to accompany strategies.

She also shared that the Ad Hoc committees continue to meet and are showing progress.

Below are the draft mission statements along with core themes, strategies and goals.

Draft Mission Statements:

1. SUU instills a mindset of exploration engaging our community in a lifetime of unbounded learning and discovery in order to excel in life.
2. We are committed to creating a dynamic teaching and learning community that engages students in experiential education, leading to personal and professional excellence.
3. Suu engages and excels in creating a dynamic teaching and learning community that encourages the exploration of a personalized and experiential liberal arts education.

Draft Core Themes:

Explore: SUU explores ideas, disciplines, skills, and differences through an experiential, liberal arts education.

Strategies:

1. Increase opportunities for the SUU learning community to explore complex problems and sense of purpose in the region, nation and world.

Goals:

- a. Creating partnerships for learning opportunities in and out of the classroom.
- b. Create interdisciplinary exploration to recognize and navigated real life application.
- c. Expose students to ideas, people and places to understand different perspectives and opportunities.

Engage: SUU builds immersive experiences to fully engage with learning pursuits in and out of the classroom.

Strategies:

1. Engage student in practices that lead to meaningful learning, retention and graduation.

Goals:

- a. Support student learning experiences outside of the classroom
 - b. Involve students in pre-professional activities.
 - c. Develop and support high-impact educational practices.
2. Integrate teaching with scholarly and creative effects to enhance student success.

Goals:

- a. Foster intellectual and creative engagement for the SUU community.
3. Foster and nourish community partnerships on local, regional, national and global level.

Goals:

- a. Collaborate, develop, and implement programs to support the social and cultural vitality of the region.
- b. Create and implement a comprehensive integrated marketing and communication plan.

Excel: The SUU community strives for excellence through achievement.

Strategies:

1. Lead students to successful professional and educational outcomes.

Goals:

- a. Graduation rates
 - b. Grad school placement
 - c. Job placement
2. Prepare students for good citizenship in their communities and countries.

Goals:

- a. Participation in political process
- b. Volunteering in community events

- c. Lead people to an ethical life
3. Help students develop lives of purpose, fulfillment and happiness.

Goals:

- a. Lifelong learner
- b. Fulfilled life
- c. Happiness