

## **STRATEGIC PLANNING TASK FORCE MEETING**

**September 17, 2015 @ 3 p.m.**

**Starlight Room**

Participants: Emily Dean (Co-Chair), Jenna Ayers, Mitch Bealer, Mindy Benson, Keith Bradshaw, Sheri Butler, Brandon Day, Teri Day, Danielle Dubrasky, Briget Eastep, Bill Heyborne, David Lunt, Phil Roche, Shauna Mendini, Deb Snider, Peggy Wittier, Jennifer Oberhelman (recorder)

Emily Dean welcomed all to the meeting. She then handed out the revised Core Themes and possible strategies that could be placed under Core Theme. She shared last week's process for those who were not in attendance. Today's focus is on strategies to address the Core Themes. Emily split the group into three and each was assigned a Core Theme to work on. Incorporated into the suggested themes were themes Teri Day had already identified. Instructions were to come up with 2-4 strategies.

Below are the strategies that were selected.

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

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

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

1. Engage student in practices that lead to meaningful learning, retention and graduation
2. Integrate teaching with scholarly and creative effects to enhance student success
3. Foster and nourish community partnerships on local, regional, national and global level

*Excel – The SUU community fosters holistic learning through exploration; we construct environments for interdisciplinary engagement; and we strive for excellence through achievement.*

1. Broaden and deepen student success initiatives through distinctive and meaningful education opportunities
2. Support faculty and staff in creating a transformative and dynamic learning community
3. Create a university-wide framework to assess deep learning that includes the analysis of signature works

Teri Day reminded that strategies must incorporate new strategies with existing strategies.

Emily reminded everyone that Ad Hoc committees are on-going and all are welcome to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

