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Strategic Planning Steering Committee

October 28, 2015

8:00-9:30 AM, EAB 200 (Chancellor's Conference Room)

MINUTES

Attending: BJ Reed, Birud Sindhav, Jill Russell, Paul Barnes, Melissa Berke, Melissa Cast-Brede, Bill Conley, Charlotte Evans, James Freeman, Cecil Hicks, Jr., Ann Hindery, Lyn Holley, Stephen Houston, Kathleen Lyons, MaryLee Moulton (new member – Graduate Assistant), Sarah Osborn, Mark Pauley, Michael Perdunn, Hank Robinson, Deborah Smith-Howell, Josh White, Sara Woods, Teonne Wright

- 1. Updated Membership List and Meetings Information (Attachment I).** Further updates will be distributed, including the location of the January 22 Strategic Planning Forum.
- 2. Update on the Four Task Force groups (membership, chair, charge to the group) (Attachment II).** This document will also be updated and distributed with additional committee members joining the various task forces.
- 3. Accreditation Overview (Power Point presentation) – Jill.** The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation covers the entire institution and includes all academic programs. UNO is on the AQIP (Academic Quality Improvement Process) pathway, with heavy emphasis on assessment, data, review, etc. Institutional accreditation is required to receive Federal Financial Assistance and is also important because most graduate programs require students' undergraduate degrees to come from an accredited institution. To view Jill's PowerPoint, go to <http://www.unomaha.edu/accreditation/docs/accreditation-process-presentation-10-27-15.pdf>. BJ added that this information was also presented to the Board of Regents last Friday which was well received.
- 4. Results of the May 11, 2015 Forum Table Top Activity (clicker data) – Birud.** Birud provided a handout regarding the results of the prioritization activity. The May forum hosted many community members as well as internal participants. The result showed strong endorsement for "UNO is student focused" (57%) and "UNO provides academic excellence" (33%).
- 5. Preliminary Plan for the Jan. 22, 2016 Forum (note new date and location) – Kathy.** The new date is January 22 from 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Alumni Center. A handout with possible topics was distributed and feedback from the group regarding additional topics is encouraged. This agenda must be finalized by the December 2 meeting along with the task force reports. Bill Conley suggested to include a report from Charlotte Evans

(Public Safety) on emergency preparedness. Legislative updates was another item to be added to the draft agenda.

- 6. Urban/Metropolitan Framework (Jill).** The preparation of the white paper on “Urban/Metropolitan Emphasis” is in the closing stages and will be sent to constituent groups for final approval.
- 7. Faculty Senate Report – Lyn.** New Faculty Senate representative, will provide feedback to Faculty Senate in the future. Many faculty are on committees across campus, but don’t always report back to Faculty Senate about what they have learned.
- 8. Student Government Report – Brock – no report**
- 9. Staff Advisory Council Report – Michael and/or Teonne.** Teonne is leaving the university and Michael will replace her as Staff Advisory Council representative. In addition to working closely with Faculty Senate and Student Government, SAC would like to participate in more community engagement projects.
- 10. Preparing for the Dec. 2, 2015 meeting – all groups should have met, and the chair should be prepared to provide an update**
- 11. Sharing or Other Topics.** Kathy made the group aware of the Reverse-Trick-Or-Treat, collecting food items for the UNO Food Pantry to benefit students and staff.