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Strategic Planning Steering Committee, Agenda and Notes, October 28, 2009

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Strategic Planning Steering Committee

October 28, 2009
3:00-4:30 pm, EAB Chancellor's Conference Room

AGENDA and Notes

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Chancellors Update**

Chancellor Christensen reviewed the recent CUMU conference where several UNO presentations took place. He shared thoughts about the future direction of the organization as it distinguishes itself from other institutions regarding the depth of community engagements. The CUMU Executive committee may fund a study to profile schools who identify community engagements as part of their core mission.

The Chancellor will be meeting with Jim Young and our capital campaign committee in the future regarding the community engagement center initiative. The Chancellor spoke of the upcoming special session of the legislature and the future budget cuts that may be asked of the university system. He thanked all committee members for their service and assured us of the importance of the committee's work especially going forward.

- 3. Task Force Reports**

Goal 3 Objectives Revision Task Force-Chairman Neal Topp

Neal shared a draft of the committee work on writing the Goal 3 sub-goals and objectives. The steering committee discussed process and format plans and will be asked to give input to the more complete draft at the Nov meeting.

Strategic Planning Forum Event Task Force- Chairman, Melissa Cast-Brede

Melissa shared the results of the sub-committee's first discussion of the Feb 12 agenda. The theme will be community engagement and again build on the work of last April's Forum. Plans will be finalized as the work of the other two sub committee takes shape since they will guide the activities planned for the forum. The Strategic Planning Awards will be given at the Forum this year.

Community Engagement Documentation and Inventory Task Force-Chairman, Bill Swanson

Bill shared a brief review of the work of the data collection committee. Dan O'Dell, IT specialist will be working with the committee as well as Linda Mannering. A mock up of a possible web portal may be available to show as part of the discussion at the upcoming Forum.

- 4. AQIP Update Steve Bullock**

Neal reported that the AQIP feedback from the Sept visit has not been received yet.

- 5. Faculty Senate Report Bonnie O'Connell-no report**
- 6. Student Government Report-no report**
- 7. Other topics**

Strategic Planning Awards Nomination Forms

Mary Lynn shared copies of the nomination forms for this year's awards which will be due back to the Chancellors' office by Jan 15, 2010. She will be distributing them through the Deans and Departments.

Project 2110 Time Capsule Letters to Community

Mary Lynn shared a draft of a letter asking for items to be placed in the Centennial time capsule representing community partners. She suggested that the letter be sent to the community list we use to invite people to the Forum since they already have an established connection to the university. It was also decided to include the "save the date" postcard for the Forum with this letter since they will go out mid-Nov.

Community Engagement Task Force-BJ Reed

Sara reported for BJ on the progress of the Community Engagement Concept Group. They will be working with the Chancellor on next steps for the project in the coming month and report in the future.

- 8. Next Meeting is November 18, 2009 CPACS Commons (week early)**

Focus for 2009-10

Engagement – Central to Our City

- Inventory and document current UNO Community Engagement efforts
- Revise and approve Goal 3 in the Strategic Plan to reflect current and future activities
- Host a spring strategic planning event that involves entire campus and community
- Support campus AQIP process