STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE  
Meeting Minutes  
April 8, 2010

Members Present: Lisa Foss, Judy Kilborn, David Sikes, Mark Petzold, Michele Mumm, Kerry Marrer, Sara Grachek, Jim Sherohman, Casey Wagner, Karen Lindgren, Diana Burlison, John Palmer, Lalita Subrahmanyan, Mitch Rubinstein, John Eggers, Plamen Miltenoff, Brady Haggstrom, Stephen Hornstein, Kay Worner, Dan Pedersen, Margaret Villanueva, Tony Akubue,

Members Absent: John Burgeson, David DeGroote, Robin Ewing, Mark Jaede, Diana Lawson, Debra Leigh, Amos Olagunju, Mahmoud Saffari, Mike Sharp, Rich Shearer, Linda Williams

Meeting Minutes from April 1, 2010:

Approved with no changes. No objections

Additional Agenda Items:

The steering committee will be meeting with the Provost next week so please respond with your schedule for next week to David by the end of the day today.

Announcements:

- Larry Goldstein Report  
  o Please read the report before next meeting  
  o Budget Advisory Group will join the next SPC meeting and talk about the report and budget models.
- CETL forum on interdisciplinarity  
  o Tuesday, April 20 from 9:30-11:00 a.m  
  o Talk about challenges, barriers, opportunities
- FA sponsored Faculty Forum  
  o Wednesday, April 14, 2010 11-12 Voyaguers South  
    ▪ Talk about strategic planning in light of SPA

SPC co-chair election:

No last minute nominations.

Judy Kilborn will serve as co-chair. No objections
Process work for reorganization:

- Clusters
  - Spring brainstorming forum
    - Allow us to begin developing network maps
  - Summer retreats
- Draft budget for summer work
- We will examine the organizational structures of other institutions

Discussion:

- Does there need to be an understanding of the figure of the current organizational structure before we start talking about potential grouping of clusters?
- The document does not suggest a structure but rather affinities and who needs to be able to work together and what the model needs to be sensitive to.
- It provides us with relationships, connectiveness and opportunities as well as a better understanding of how the campus sees these clusters. It also gives us a better understanding of our instructional capacities and budget structure.
- A possible scenario would include building a set of four or five structural models and then costing them out.
- It was suggested that a statement from the Provost clarifying the purpose of the cluster forums be produced.
- It was suggested than an electronic survey be sent out asking non forum attendees the same questions that will be addressed at the forums.
- A definition of the terms such as clusters would be challenging because there is no standard definitions. We would develop what the definition means to SCSU and then send out a list of preliminary definitions. The steering group would work on temporary definitions at the first meeting
- Change the name of the cluster Environment & Technology to Environment, Technology & Sustainability.
- We need to clarify the relationship between SPA and Reorganization.
- The questions will be sent out with the announcement.
- Facilitators would need to be individuals who do not have a vested interest and outside facilitators would need to be paid. Where would that money come from?
- Who chooses the facilitator?
  - We would need to define the role and standards of the facilitator before choosing a facilitator.
- What is the perception of these individuals as facilitators?
- The steering committee would need to put together a charge for the facilitators.
- The possibility exists that we could look for neutrals among the SCSU mediation team and avoid obvious conflicts of interest.
- We need a set of clear and concise agenda items along with a set of rules.
- We will need to decide who should be in contact with the facilitators.
- There will be a need for recorders
  - SPC members possibly serve as note takers.