Strategic Planning Committee Charge and Structure

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The purpose of the Strategic Planning Committee is to provide recommendations to the SCSU President regarding:

- strategic direction and priorities (Strategic Action Plan) of St. Cloud State University
- objectives and goals, including standards and criteria, to measure progress toward achieving the Strategic Action Plan
- identification of new challenges or opportunities based on regular assessments of the internal and external environments
- identification of emergent strategic issues that are not currently addressed
- revisions and updates to the Plan at regular intervals and as new opportunities present themselves
- continuing structural and operational re-alignment to support the implementation of the Strategic Action Plan
- alignment of operational and unit plans with SCSU's Strategic Action Plan
- alignment of proposed budget priorities with SCSU's Strategic Action Plan prior to implementation
- investment priorities from a university-wide strategic initiative fund
- conforming of budgeting and other resource allocation decisions with the SCSU Strategic Action Plan to ensure those decisions serve the strategic direction of the University
- strategies to ensure SCSU's continuing role as a leading institution in the system

In order to achieve these purposes, the SPC:

- ensures ongoing campus consultation during the development, implementation and updating of the Strategic Action Plan and operational and unit plans
- monitors and reports on the outcomes and goals of SCSU's strategic and operational plans
- completes active and ongoing review of SCSU's environment for opportunities and challenges
- reviews operational and unit plans and consults on their development
- provides annual reports to the University on implementation of the Strategic Action Plan, including outcomes and resource allocation to support the Strategic Action Plan
- serves as a resource for units developing their own strategic plans
- serves as a resource to student fee driven committees on the University's strategic plan as it relates to student fee funded areas
- communicates regularly with campus about implementation of the Strategic Action Plan
- regularly receives, collects and reviews data on university budget and resource allocations
- provides leadership in creating and implementing a robust system of integrating resource allocation and strategic planning
Committee Structure

The Strategic Planning Committee will use a standing sub-committee structure to fulfill elements of its charge. The SPC sub-committees will make recommendations to the full Strategic Planning Committee for their discussion and action. By approval of the SPC, non-members of the Strategic Planning Committee may serve on the sub-committees based on specific expertise or as appropriately appointed bargaining unit representatives. Sub-committees will operate under a structure of majority vote. All sub-committee members will be voting members. The full Strategic Planning Committee will meet bi-weekly, and standing sub-committees may meet on non-SPC meeting weeks. SPC standing sub-committees include:

- External/environmental Review
- Monitoring and Measurement
- Planning Integration
- Resource Allocation and Budget
- Academic Liaison
- Communications

Additional standing sub-committees may be identified as necessary, with the possibility of ad-hoc sub-committees as needed.