



Strategic Planning Committee – End of Year Report

Overall this has been a challenging year for the Strategic Planning Committee. The group struggled with low membership due to several missing seats which have been discussed at previous meetings. Met four times:

October 24, 2018

November 28, 2018

(January 25, 2019 meeting was cancelled due to reasons stated above)

March 21, 2019

April 24, 2019

Meeting Highlights:

October:

- The chair brought forward two NECHE standards that had relevance to the group and the committee discussed them
 - Standard 1 – Mission and Purpose and Standard 2 – Planning and Evaluation
- Chair brought forward the idea of creating a template or set of guidelines for helping departments connect with the institutional strategic plan. The committee felt that more fundamental work needed to take precedent, such as reconnecting campus operations with the core values of the plan (Accountability, Innovation, Cooperation, and Empowerment)
- Developing the aforementioned template was tabled in favor of this more fundamental work, however waiving membership caused that work to not be addressed.

November:

- The committee invited Dr. Finkelstein to join us so that the committee membership could voice the above-mentioned disconnect between campus operations and the values and goals laid out in the Strategic Plan. The group had an organic and substantive conversation about this.

March:

- The M CCS charged each institution with rapidly completing a tangible Strategic Work Plan that ties directed to the streamlined M CCS plan (Get them in, Get them through, Keep them connected).
- Each Dean took the template back to their areas to flesh out the template with their departmental plan priorities and constituent input on February 5th and the final, edited draft of the template went to the M CCS on March 11th.
- The Strategic Planning Committee reviewed the Work Plan at the March meeting and decided not to endorse it and instead recommended that it be sent back to the operational areas of the college for input and reform.
- The Strategic Planning Committee added Kristen Wiegand (Workforce Development Coordinator) and Jennifer Healy (Adjunct Faculty Member) to stay with us for 2019-2020.

April:

- The Associate Dean proposed focusing on developing a way to evaluate the use of our current 2018-2023 YCCC Strategic Plan for the 2019-2020 academic year.