

Strategic Planning Task Force Meeting

September 10, 2013

Participants: D. Allred, K. Arnoldsen, C. Avery, L. Barnhurst, M. Dodge, S. Golding, B. Gridley, B. Hermansen, M. Jenkins, D. Larsen, T. Lund, C. Mathie, M. Medley, S. Meredith, B. Taggart, N. Visger and G. Wright.

Marvin indicated that plans for the Vision Conference scheduled for Friday, September 27, 2013 in the GSC Rasmussen Conference room are underway. Invitations have been sent to a number of Snow faculty, staff and students as well as other stakeholders from the community. We anticipate 75 people to attend. The goal will be to have all concept papers completed and bound prior to being sent to participants. The mailing should occur no later than Monday September 23rd to allow time for stakeholders to review the materials. The meeting agenda will also be sent out prior to the meeting.

Members of the Task Force continue to review drafts of the concept papers being prepared. Melanie advised everyone to review each paper with the overall “big picture” in mind. Rewording and formatting will be done following all suggested changes. Each paper should also be reviewed to determine if diversity has been addressed.

Becky Hermansen led the discussion on the review of the 2-Year / 4-Year concept paper. It was noted that some faculty members are concerned about their status if Snow goes from a strictly two-year college to a four-year college. Considerable thought and discussion should be done before a decision is made on which area or program is ready to move forward to offer a four-year degree.

The final concept paper review was on General Education. This was a continuation of a discussion which began at the last Task Force meeting. Greg Wright led the discussion.

Individuals preparing concept papers should forward their final revision to Melanie no later than Monday, September 16. Melanie will standardize the format. All words to be included in the Glossary should also be forwarded to her along with the preferred definition.

The next meeting of the Task Force will be Tuesday, September 17, 2013 in the Academy Conference Room from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Videoconferencing will be available for those from Richfield who are unable to attend.