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Strategic Planning Progress Report

Higher education is undergoing rapid, profound change. It is time for Portland State University to look to the future and determine our destiny. Efforts to develop a new strategic plan are under way. Here’s a progress report.

What’s happening now

- Strategic plan facilitators are reaching out to college advisory boards and the Diversity Action Council for input.
- Facilitators have met with the Academic Prioritization Committee and the Partnership Council and are working through plans to coordinate efforts.
- Coraggio Group consultants and project manager Kari St. Peters continue to conduct one-on-one interviews with campus leaders to solicit key questions and ideas that will help lay the groundwork for developing the new plan.

Recent activity

- The Strategic Plan Development Team, which is the main steering committee for the planning process, held its kick-off meeting Wednesday, Nov. 19.
- The Development Team recommended two themes -- student success and access/excellence -- for deeper consideration by soon-to-be-named smaller topic teams.
- More themes will emerge from the SPDT at future meetings.
- The strategic planning web page has been updated with a report on the meeting, a diagram that explains the planning process, links to the
calendar, related documents and other useful information.

- The web site will include a place for public comment as each piece of the plan becomes available.

What’s next

- The next meeting of the Strategic Plan Development Team is scheduled for Dec. 2.
- The team will begin to address PSU’s vision and mission statements.
- Strategic plan facilitators will seek expert advice on how to apply a diversity lens to the planning process and the final result.
- Look for a Frequently Asked Questions feature on the strategic plan web page.
- Strategic planning will be a key topic of the 2015 Winter Symposium, scheduled for Jan. 27.

Get involved

- Submit questions you think the Development Team should address: http://www.pdx.edu/president/participate-in-planning
- Holding a meeting and want to talk about strategic planning? Invite us to attend: skari@pdx.edu
- Project manager, Kari St. Peters, skari@pdx.edu, 503-725-5960
- Development Team Chair, Stephen Percy, spercy@pdx.edu