

MINUTES
State Board of Community Colleges
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE
Thursday, February 17, 2022

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Ann Whitford, Chair	Mr. Hari Nath	Mr. Nathan Vasquez
Mr. Bobby Irwin, Vice Chair	Ms. Sarah West	
Dr. Shirley Carraway	Mr. Ray Trapp	

Members absent: Lt. Governor Mark Robinson

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Burr Sullivan	Mr. William Holder	Mr. Jerry Vaughan
Hon. Dale Folwell	Hon. Dr. Ray Russell	

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Thomas Stith, NCCCS President	Ms. Anne Bacon	Mr. Grant Godwin, Exec. Dir. of NCCCS Foundation
Dr. Kim Gold	Ms. Kelly Barretto	Dr. Matthew Meyer
Dr. Patrick Crane	Ms. Tiffany Howell	Mr. Jason Cobb
	Mr. Deante Tyler	
	Dr. Levy Brown	

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Whitford called the meeting to order at 3:44 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Kelly Barretto took the roll of the Strategic Planning Committee members. With seven members in attendance, a quorum was present.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Dr. Crane read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any known conflicts. None were noted.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES

Chair Whitford asked for a motion to jointly approve the agenda for today's meeting and the January 20, 2022 minutes. Mr. Irwin made the motion to approve the agenda and the January 20, 2022 minutes, Dr. Carraway seconded, and the Committee approved the agenda and the January 20, 2022 minutes unanimously without change.

FOR INFORMATION

Feedback from Presidents and Trustees at Regional Listening Sessions

Before introducing Dr. Crane, Chair Whitford summarized the purpose and structure of the regional listening sessions, seven of which have been completed as of this meeting. Participating in the listening sessions were a variety of stakeholders such as community college presidents, trustees, and other college leaders. Their needs and requests are summarized in Attachment PLAN 01.

Feedback from Other Community College Stakeholders and Summary of Community Colleges' Strategic Plans and QEP Topics

Ms. Bacon reported on major topics raised over the course of engagement with stakeholders outside of presidents and trustees, such as Chief Academic Officers, Adult Education and Workforce Continuing Education staff/faculty, the Executive Board of the Student Development Administrators Association, Community College Planning and Research Organization, System Office leadership, as well as other partners. Common themes emerged such as student success, workforce and economic development, diversity, equity, and inclusion, and others. Planning teams will engage further with other internal and external stakeholders. Samples of solutions to critical issues were collected from colleges. Feedback included suggestions as to how the State Board and System Office could better support students and institutions.

There were questions and discussion by the group.

Next, the Committee participated in an exercise where members were asked to weight the priority of challenges cited by colleges and also to target the greatest opportunities to overcome those challenges. Faculty and staff recruitment and retention ranked highest among the group as a priority. The Committee discussed various ideas on how to organize the plan using priority themes, as well as how to address short-term and long-term aims in the plan. Chair Whitford will call an additional meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee prior to the next regular monthly meeting to refine priorities before referring out to workgroups.

There were more questions and discussion by the group.

ADJOURN

There being no other business, Chair Whitford adjourned the Committee at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Barretto
Recording Secretary