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Minutes of Academic Long Range Planning Committee meeting

October 31 2001

In Attendance: David Buchanan (Chair); Kathy Fox Tim Dunn Jim McCallops
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President Janet Dudley-Eshbach met with the ALRPC to discuss her concerns about what needed to be done in reviewing and possibly updating the SU Strategic Plan 1998 and whether the ALRPC was the right committee to take on this responsibility. An updated and/or revised strategic plan is necessary to help guide the development and direction of a new Master Plan for Facilities that will be created in Spring 2002.

The President highlighted her major initiatives and focus over the first year of her presidency and stated that she believes that the 5-year strategic plan had included goals that reflects actions that she has taken and that she anticipates for the institution. Still there exists a need to take inventory with the existing strategic plan to see what areas might need emphasizing or de-emphasizing.

ALRPC members agreed that this committee was the appropriate reviewer of the strategic plan. They believe that they would benefit in their work by first obtaining background information on the state of the University and on external influences such as the current MHEC state educational strategic plan the USM 10 strategic plan MFR issues the recent Middle States Program Review Report and current peer data. Their goal will be to update the SU strategic plan and to create an action plan that will include the identification of benchmarks resources and responsibilities.

In order to be more inclusive of campus input the ALRPC agreed to see this work as a specially assigned function of the committee and to expand the committee membership for this task to include two additional staff members and two students

preferably one undergraduate and one graduate student. The ad hoc project team will be led by the Provost and will report their work to all University senates.

Given some time urgency the next meeting was scheduled for November 14 11 am in the PCR.

Minutes submitted by E. Zinner

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