

Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 To: <u>ucrfacultyandstaff@scotmail.ucr.edu</u> Subject: Strategic Planning Campus Update

Dear Campus Community,

I am writing to provide another update on Strategic Planning. As I reported in the <u>April update</u>, we had to make some slight adjustments to our timeline. I'm happy to report that we are moving forward on track with the adjusted timeline and there are still plenty of opportunities for community and campus members to offer feedback and get involved; I will detail those below.

But first, a few updates from our May Steering Committee Meeting:

- We heard from each of the five working groups and all are continuing to make progress on their work and reports. Most groups have still been able to meet regularly and some have even reported increased attendance and engagement with the virtual meeting format.
- We presented a preliminary framework of the UCR Strategic Plan to all of the committee members and engaged in open dialogue for feedback. We will incorporate the feedback we received and present a revised framework at our June 15th Steering Committee Meeting. The June meeting will serve as another opportunity for dialogue and feedback before we begin using the framework to guide our drafting efforts over the summer months.
 - You can find more details on the preliminary framework in the May meeting minutes which will be posted to our <u>resources page</u> once they are approved at our June 15th meeting.

At our May meeting, we also reviewed the many significant contributions that have helped to shape the emerging framework, so far:

- Working Group Contributions: 100+ Strategic Planning Committee Members (made up of UCR faculty, staff, students, administrators, and community members), outreach to and consultation with UCR and IE communities, campus forums, interviews & surveys, and research, reports, presentations, and other information gathering.
- Executive Committee Outreach: Town Halls: Chancellor (2019), Provost (2019 & 2020), Steering Committee Retreat (2019), Consultation with Endowed Chairs and Distinguished Professors (2019), March/April 2020 Steering Committee Breakout Sessions, responses and input from general campus (<u>strategicplan@ucr.edu</u>), and meetings with Vice Chancellors and Deans.
- AKA Strategy Consulting Outreach: Interviews with 13 Deans and Faculty Members, 22 Campus Administrators, and 9 Alumni and group conversations with junior faculty, research intensive faculty, undergraduate student leaders, Staff Assembly representatives, Academic Senate leadership, graduate student representatives, and the Center for Ideas & Society.

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed thus far. I would also like to encourage everyone to continue engaging in the process. Here are a few ways to do so:

- Keep up to date on the latest strategic planning updates by reviewing our <u>meeting materials and</u> <u>minutes</u>
- Provide any thoughts, feedback, questions, or concerns to our <u>strategicplan@ucr.edu</u> email account

And, later on:

- Look for invitations and register to participate in community forums (Fall Quarter)
- Review and provide feedback on the Working Group Reports (October)
- Review and provide feedback on the Strategic Planning Draft (Late Fall/ Early Winter Quarter)

Sincerely,

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