Nevada System of Higher Education

Strategic Initiative Coordination Effort

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Introduction

• NSHE is currently developing a number of important strategic initiatives.

• NSHE must coordinate these initiatives:
  – To ensure they are integrated, complementary, and comprehensive;
  – To increase alignment and accountability;
  – To ensure they reflect the Board’s five strategic goals; and,
  – To maximize Board input in the process.

• This plan shows how they will be coordinated through a single effort to achieve the best outcomes for our students.
Strategic Paradigm: Nested Alignment

5 System-Level Strategic Goals
Adopted in 2018

System Level Initiatives
Created to support Strategic Goals and address near-term, system-wide issues

Institutional Initiatives
Institutional strategies identified by Presidents currently supporting Strategic Goals
Board’s 5 Goals

1. **ACCESS**
   - Increase participation in post-secondary education

2. **SUCCESS**
   - Increase student success

3. **CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP**
   - Close the achievement gap among underserved student populations

4. **WORKFORCE**
   - Collaboratively address the challenges of the workforce and industry education needs of Nevada

5. **RESEARCH**
   - Co-develop solutions to the critical issues facing 21st century Nevada and raise the overall research profile
Effort Objectives

NSHE Strategic Initiative Coordination Effort has identified three objectives:

1. Maximize Board of Regents input, guidance, and support throughout the planning process in order to ensure system-wide alignment with Board goals.

2. Provide extensive opportunity for stakeholder input in order to ensure equitable and agreeable outcomes.

3. Coordinate between multiple strategic efforts in order to develop a comprehensive, system-wide strategy, to include supporting policy and budget recommendations.
Effort Components

- There are three strategic initiatives associated within this coordination effort.
- All three of the current strategic initiatives will inform each other and align with the Board of Regents’ goals, direction, guidance, and vision.

1. Seven System-led Initiatives, including:
   a) Dual Enrollment
   b) Equity in Hiring and Retention Initiative
   c) Joint Research
   d) Mental Health
   e) Teacher Pathways
   f) Workforce Development
   g) Online Learning

2. Assembly Bill 450 Committee

3. NSHE Strategic Planning Process
Effort Timeline

Chancellor’s Initiatives
- Dual Enrollment TF
- Equity in Hiring & Retention Initiative
- Joint Research TF
- Mental Health TF
- Teacher Pathways TF
- Workforce TF
- Online Learning TF

AB 450 Committee
- CC Coordination
- Workforce Development
- CC Funding

NSHE Strategic Plan
- Board Alignment
- Stakeholder Input
- Vision/Mission/Objs
- Innovation Opportunities
- Recommendations

Plan & Develop Structure
Stakeholder Meetings & Community Engagement
Co-Creates Strategy
Build Branding & Funding
Execute & Monitor

Report Format
Report Check-in
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Report Review
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## System Dashboard

### System Led Initiatives

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### System Activities

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*Current indicators represent targets*
Findings & Recommendations

- In order to maximize accountability and measure progress throughout NSHE, ensure access to timely data for key metrics at the institutional and system levels.
- In order to align efforts with the Board’s strategic goals, ensure system and institutional goals and metrics are both conceptually aligned and tactically connected.
- In order to ensure this effort is effective beyond the coordination process, establish NSHE policy guiding standardization of institutional metrics.
- In order to ensure accountability associated with strategic goals, initiatives, and plans, develop a mechanism to connect presidential evaluations to institutional strategic plans for Board approval.
- In order to achieve full alignment, transparency, and accountability, a complete strategic plan should be created and implemented under the guidance of the Board of Regents, leadership from the NSHE system office, and input from both internal and external stakeholders.
**Initiative Name:** Goals, Milestones, and Desired Outcomes

**Long-Term Goal**
*What is your mission for the long-term? What are you trying to accomplish and by when? Be as specific and focused as possible.*

[Enter long-term goal here]

**Initiative Lead**
[Enter the name of the initiative lead]

**Initiative Members**
[Enter the names of the initiative team members]

**Short-Term Initiative Milestones by [date]**
*Think about your long-term goal stated above. What are the first steps the initiative will take to start moving toward that long-term goal? Clarifying what you’re trying to accomplish in the next 3 to 6 months will help the initiative team remain focused on delivering tangible results.*

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**Outcome Metrics or Targets**
*How will you measure success for this initiative? Consider what can be measured, how easily it can be measured, how appropriate that measurement is as an indicator of success. A good metric is SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound).*

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Strategic Planning Organization

A high level visual of the structural components of the strategic planning project.
Roles & Responsibilities

A draft outline of contributors’ responsibilities

- **Chair, Board of Regents**
  - Convene all Planning Group meetings (all regents are invited to the convenings)
  - Appoint Board members to serve on ad hoc committee

- **Board of Regents**
  - Approve and ratify strategic plan
  - Provide guidance and directional input throughout the process
  - Share project progress with constituents
  - Hold Sponsor accountable for delivery of the Strategic Plan

- **Ad Hoc Committee of the Board**
  - Provide additional opportunities for input from Board members
  - Provide strategic guidance and insights on issues presented
  - Recommend strategic plan to full Board for approval

- **Chancellor**
  - Accountable for the Strategic plan
  - Convenes the Strategy Steering Team
  - Ultimately responsible for plan completion

- **Vice Chancellor for Workforce Development/CIO**
  - Responsible for creation of the Strategic plan
  - Leads operational components of the Program
  - Accountable for scope, schedule and budget of the Strategy Program
Roles & Responsibilities

A draft outline of contributors’ responsibilities

- **Project Manager**
  - Commitment: Full Time
  - Develop project plan and structure
  - Lead and manage the project team
  - Establish and manage to a project schedule
  - Provide updates and focus for Strategy Steering Team, Executive Sponsor, and Program Director

- **Planning Group**
  - Commitment: 5-10 hours total
  - Attends appropriate community meetings
  - Provide input, feedback, perspective, and “requirements”
  - Represent organizational and community interests

- **TGG**
  - Facilitates Strategy Steering Team
  - Develops Methodology
  - Creates key documents and materials
  - Periodically interview Board members for insights and input
Timeline

- Plan & Develop Structure
- Stakeholder Meetings and Community Engagement
- Co-Create Strategy
- Build Branding and Funding
- Execute and Monitor
- Communicate

Announce and Celebrate