Open Session 3 Comments  
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Academic Plan

I. Online learning may help to increase minority students.
II. We need to capitalize on partnerships developed on campus
III. Leadership experience with three Tech colleges being planned
IV. Look more closely at demographics of on-line students
   a. Do they include a high % of minority students? If not they should. This is an opportunity to “reach new markets”- as listed in the priority statement.
V. Use technology in effort to increase diversity.
VI. LTS will pay for technology expenses associated with distance ed/ bringing people together
   a. So far, few instructors have participated
VII. Each class can bring in global learning experiences
   a. Needs to be infused across the curriculum
VIII. We need to have a broader understanding of global awareness in our classes
IX. We need to have a forum on brainstorming session on how to incorporate global learning into classes
   a. It is important for our graduates to be “global-ready”

Polytechnic

I. Articulations with Technical Colleges and forum with these Tech colleges may be valuable to identify overlap in course offerings.
II. Is there a designated process other campuses have gone through to become polytechnic?
   a. Wanted to know what the process will be at Stout.
III. Provide a summary to campus on what’s being done
   a. With the polytechnic initiative- tie this in with action plan step #1
IV. Get focus group input as to what is the definition of a polytechnic
V. Put together a marketing plan (related to polytechnic)
VI. Need to identify benefit beyond branding. How can this be leveraged to benefit university and individual faculty?

Campus Climate/ Culture

I. Need to be aware of campus building security issues (ex. Child and family studies center)
II. Culture of affirmation needs to be not only in the classroom, but all across campus
   a. And culture of affirmation needs to be included as part of the internal communication priority- the priority needs to be broadened- it doesn’t currently fulfill the focus 2010 goal that is listed in box #1
III. Train people on what culture of affirmation means