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To: Academic Strategies Committee

From: Paul Kelly, Chair

Re: 2019 Committee Work Plan

At our September 17 committee meeting, we discussed this year's trustee self-assessment results, work accomplished, and a proposed strategy for organizing our work next year. Committee members did not raise any concerns with the proposed strategies for next year; however, at our next meeting, we want to revisit our charter responsibilities (Attachment 1) as a group and gut check whether the proposed plan helps us meet our responsibilities (Attachment 2).

Questions for discussion will include:

- Does the content and structure of the proposed plan support fulfillment of our oversight responsibilities as a committee? If not, what alternative would committee members propose?
- Does content and structure of the proposed plan enable us to track progress on university goals, strategic initiatives, and challenges within the span of our charter responsibilities? If not, what alternative would committee members propose?
- Are there gaps in the plan against our charter responsibilities?
- Does it focus our time in the areas of greatest consequence? If not, what suggestions would committee members propose?
- Does it focus us in areas where our oversight can most benefit the university? If not, what suggestions would committee members propose?
- How would emerging policy issues or other concerns be added to our plan? What trade-offs would we make it terms of time and topics discussed?

I look forward to discussing these questions and the proposed plan with you at our October 25 meeting.

October 25-26, 2018 Board of Trustees Meetings



Oregon State University Academic Strategies Committee Charter

The Academic Strategies Committee is established to assist the Board in its oversight of the teaching, research and public service missions of the University. The committee consists of the trustees appointed by the Board Chair. The Provost and Executive Vice President and the Vice President for Research are ex officio, non-voting members of the committee.

The Committee's areas of responsibilities are: (1) assisting the Board to ensure and protect, within the context of faculty shared governance, the educational quality of the University and its academic programs; (2) monitoring progress towards the University's academic performance goals; (3) reviewing and recommending to the Board the creation, merger, or closure of schools, colleges or major university research centers or institutes within the University; (4) reviewing and approving major changes to the academic programs of the University, such as the creation, merger, or closure of degree programs; (5) overseeing the University's athletic programs; (6) overseeing University policies regarding student life and conduct, faculty, and academic affairs; (7) overseeing the University's research enterprise; (8) overseeing the University's outreach and extension programs; and (9) overseeing engagement with accrediting bodies. The committee is responsible for such other matters as may be referred to it by the Board.

The Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President is responsible for providing staff support to the Committee.

Document History:

- Adopted by the Board of Trustees January 9, 2014
- Amended March 13, 2014
- Amended October 21, 2016



Academic Strategies Committee 2019 Work Plan

Framework for Organizing Committee Work

Meeting agendas would generally consist of:

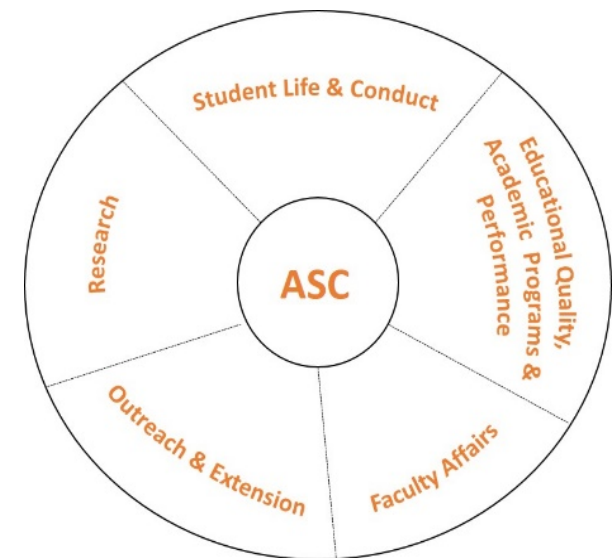
1. Provost's report including "front of mind" issues, leadership search updates, academic and accreditation status report, and other follow-up or emerging items.
2. Briefings associated with each of the major areas of the committee's charter (as shown in the adjacent image; links to categories are shown in red text in the following table). Each briefing will use the university's strategic plan as the framework for the work described.

In advance of the meeting, trustees would receive a concise written report on the briefing topic that covers four areas:

- a) Progress on metrics, particularly those adopted as part of the university's strategic plan, but also any more detailed metrics used in the specific domain;
- b) Progress on special initiatives and projects introduced in prior briefing(s);
- c) New projects and initiatives adopted or under consideration since the last briefing;
- d) Opportunities and threats facing the university in the domain, and anticipated or potential actions to capture the opportunities and counter the threats.

The presentation before the committee will not summarize the written report. Instead, it will call attention to the most critical issues in the given domain and raise questions that would benefit from committee members' input and counsel. The presentation will focus on items (c) and (d) above. The meeting agenda will set aside time for committee members to ask questions about the report and/or presentation, probe for additional detail, and raise special topics for consideration in subsequent meetings.

3. Special topics, surfaced in response to briefings or other trustee concerns and questions
4. Academic program changes, as needed



5. Annual risk reports for risks assigned to the committee (national trends related to risk, progress addressing risk, plans for the next year)

2019 Meeting Date	Agenda topic	Presenter(s)	Estimated Time
Jan 17	Provost's report	Provost	20 min
Jan 17	Topic: Institutional accreditation	Senior Vice Provost of Faculty Affairs, Accreditation Director	30 min
Jan 17	Briefing: Research	Vice President of Research	45 min
Jan 17	Briefing: Engagement	Vice Provost for Outreach, Engagement, Extension	45 min
Jan 17	Risk report: Critical employee training	Risk Owner	30 min
Apr 4	Provost's report	Provost	20 min
Apr 4	Briefing: Educational Programs (Ed Quality, Academic Programs & Performance)	Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education; Vice Provost of Graduate Education	45 min
Apr 4	Briefing: Enrollment & Financial Aid (Ed Quality, Academic Programs & Performance)	Vice Provost of Enrollment Management	45 min
May 30	Provost's report	Provost	20 min
May 30	Briefing: Student Life and Conduct	Vice Provost of Student Affairs	45 min
May 30	Briefing: Student Athletes (Student Life and Conduct)	Vice President/Athletics Director	30 min

2019 Meeting Date	Agenda topic	Presenter(s)	Estimated Time
May 30	Risk Report: Sexual harassment and violence education, prevention, and response	Risk Owners	30 min
Oct 17	Provost's report	Provost	20 min
Oct 17	2019 ASC work plan	Committee Chair, Board Secretary, Provost	20 min
Oct 17	Briefing: Faculty Affairs	Senior Vice Provost of Faculty Affairs	45 min
Oct 17	Briefing: Internationalization	Senior International Officer	45 min
Oct 17	Risk Report: Lab safety	Risk Owner	30 min