**Long Range Planning Committee**

Minutes from the March 29, 2017 Meeting

In attendance: John Kranzler; Sondra Smith; Elizabeth Bondy; Kristen Kemple; Kelli Peck Parrott.

Absent: Carole Beal and Glenn Good

The chair of the committee shared a synopsis of the discussion with the Dean about possible directions for the committee. Included in the discussion was planning work regarding the College’s future efforts in online education, including instruction, advisement, and mentoring. Several issues regarding the growth of the College’s online programs were discussed, such as faculty needs in terms of support and resources, and what students would need with regard to support. The committee expressed that to move forward there would need to be other voices at the table, including Dr. Tom Dana, as well as representatives from the ETC and IT.

Additionally, the committee once again discussed the possibility of reviewing the strategic plan, particularly the goals related to diversity, and determining possible next steps.

In closing, the committee decided that there would not be enough time left in the semester to move forward and given that the committee membership would change for the following year, next year’s committee should be challenged to either explore planning with regard to online education or reexamine the strategic plan (either in its entirety or specific goals within) and develop a series of action steps with identification of persons responsible and timelines for completion.

The meeting was adjourned.