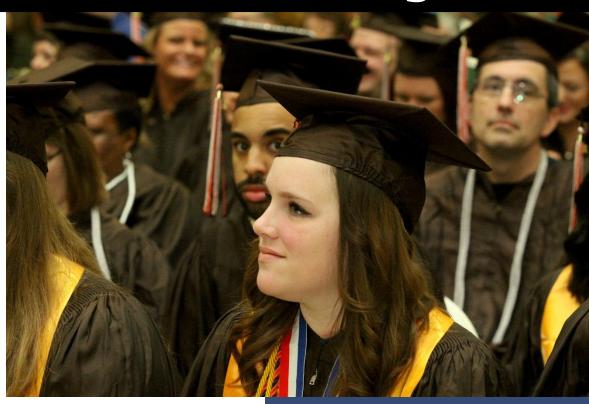
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Strategic Plan



Highland Community College is committed to shaping the future of our communities by providing quality education and learning opportunities through programs and services that encourage the personal and professional growth of the people of northwestern Illinois.

2017 - 2022

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Dear Friends of Highland Community College:

This document represents a foundation of goals for strategic planning at Highland Community College between the years 2017-2022. In order to continue progress in fulfilling our mission, the College commits to further establishing a vision which includes achieving even higher degrees of excellence in the following areas:

- creating and maintaining high quality, student-centered, accessible learning experiences for diverse populations
- expanding/strengthening educational pathways for previous, existing, and future learners
- improving retention and nationally respected indicators of student success
- exploring and cultivating collaborative educational partnerships
- providing lifelong learning opportunities for individuals and communities
- engaging as educational partners in activities and initiatives which strengthen our communities

It becomes important to recognize that higher degrees of excellence in terms of service will require higher degrees of excellence in terms of innovation and collaboration as well, both within the institution and in concert with external partners. Moving successfully toward present and future goals will also require cultivation of existing and future support for traditional students, and for students both younger and older as we embrace the values of lifelong learning.

This document is *not* an exhaustive list of goals to be addressed between years 2017-2022. Central goals and specific objectives summarized on the following pages will provide important cornerstones for sustaining a vibrant and responsive academic institution. The plan will serve as a "living" document, one which shall be reviewed at least quarterly during the new five-year cycle. The HCC Board of Trustees, along with campus community members and external constituents, will be able to access regular reports reflecting progress toward strategic goals. Continuous dialogue pertaining to suggestions will be maintained throughout the five-year cycle, with open opportunities for emerging ideas and ongoing feedback.

Respectfully,		
Tim Hood		
President		

During the 2017 – 2022 Strategic Planning Cycle, the College will strive to:

- Strengthen and expand high quality educational pathways for diverse student populations
- Enhance affordable and convenient access to educational opportunities
- Develop sustainable models to address student financial needs and challenges
- Expand and strengthen educational program offerings and modes of instructional delivery
- Cultivate and strengthen partnerships with other educational institutions, business, and community organizations
- Continuously assist with faculty and staff professional development in order to maintain high performance learning environments and services contributing to a caring and supportive campus climate which encourages student engagement
- In collaboration with fundraising partners, maximize new and existing alternative funding sources in order to offset decreasing state funding and to maintain quality and momentum
- Provide safe, comfortable, eco-friendly learning environments in terms of infrastructure, facilities, and technology
- Strengthen marketing mix and strategies in order to more fully showcase College strengths in ways that connect effectively with diverse audiences--especially potential new and returning students, alumni and other potential friends of the College
- Further develop and cultivate interactive communication channels with external constituents and stakeholders
- Further develop and cultivate interactive communication channels between College departments and members of the College community
- Exhibit commitment to engage more collaboratively in continuous improvement processes and dialogue

Institutional Context for the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan

The Strategic Planning Council (SPC) began its work in the fall of 2015 and completed its assignment in the summer of 2016. Their work was followed by a period of internal analysis and planning using the goals and recommendations developed by the SPC. Throughout the fall of 2016, the College's cabinet focused on how to bring the plan to life. Planning for the future is made more uncertain by the financial challenges in the State of Illinois. The College recognizes that the state of the state heightens the need for a focused strategic plan as a way to continue the forward momentum.

Institutional Impact of the 2010 – 2015 Strategic Plan

The previous strategic plan spanned years with significant financial constraint brought on by the global financial crisis. Population declined in the state of Illinois, and in the Highland Community College district, contributing to an enrollment decline. In spite of the financial and population constraints, the College recently experienced growth in new programs and student numbers. The College worked toward achieving the three goals of the Strategic Plan including the following:

Goal 1 - Proactively identify emerging programmatic opportunities

Goal 2 - Meet program delivery needs of current and prospective students

Goal 3 - Increase college-level enrollment

The work culminated in significant improvements and new additions including:

- Several new academic programs began in the fall of 2015 including criminal justice, hospitality management, and mass communication. Revitalized program offerings included agriculture and industrial manufacturing. These were followed by a part-time nursing program launch in the spring of 2016.
- In the fall of 2016, more new programs were launched including environmental science and mechatronics. A new phlebotomy course followed in the spring of 2017.
- The College also launched a Lifelong Learning program designed to provide individuals with enrichment courses throughout the district.
- Remarkably, in a period when most colleges and universities were experiencing enrollment declines, Highland Community College experienced an 11% enrollment headcount increase from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015.
- Transitional math education moved to a modularized approach with mini lectures in a newly renovated lab space.
- Early retention results related to the improvements in transitional math education show that the College retained 15% more of these students from the first eight weeks to the second eight weeks of spring semester 2016 compared to the spring 2015 semester.
- New dual credit opportunities expanded including the development of an early college program, College NOW.
- Online and hybrid classes continued to expand with 19% of the College's total credit hours in the fall 2016 delivered through these alternative delivery methods.
- The College experienced a presidential change in July 2015 followed by a new organizational structure.
- The number of students testing into transitional courses decreased by 10%.
- The addition of a new chemistry lab and mass communication production facility enhanced students' experiences.

 Highland achieved new accolades including a #3 ranking in the "Top Community Colleges in the State of Illinois" published by USA Today College and #1 ranking in the "Top Online Colleges 2016" in Illinois by OnlineColleges.com

Environmental Factors

The environmental factors identified as having significant impact on Highland Community College and its ability to achieve the strategic goals include:

Declining State Support

- Declining state support will continue to put more pressure on local taxpayers and student tuition.
- Highland is committed to student access, but the impact of dramatically reduced state funding is causing an overreliance on local taxes and student tuition. This has the potential to limit access, primarily for the underserved residents of the district.

Population Changes

- Reports by the Regional Office of Education show a declining base of K-12 students.
 Based on their reports, the College predicts a potential 10% decline in traditional students over the next 10 years.
- Population data shows that our rural regional population decreased by 2% from 2000 to 2013 compared to a .5% rural loss in the state of Illinois during that same time period.
 Freeport experienced a net decrease of 600 residents from 2000 to 2010 and a decrease of another 600 residents between 2010 and 2013 (Taylor & Robinson, 2014).
- The College district has an aging population, with Northwest Illinois often considered as a lower cost recreation or retirement option by urban/suburban residents, especially in Carroll and Jo Daviess County with popular lake communities.
- Population data in the 2014 Environmental Scan shows that, of all racial/ethnic groups, Hispanic student enrollment in K-12 schools is increasing (2014).

Enrollment Challenges

- Online Colleges and smaller private schools will become ever more aggressive in their recruiting efforts. With declining population state-wide, public institutions are also competing in a new way for student enrollment.
- The Highland district is large geographically. Residents are often commuting to other cities (away from Freeport and specifically, in the district's communities on state borders, into lowa or Wisconsin) for employment, education and recreation/entertainment.
- Public transportation challenges have the potential to be a barrier to enrollment.
- National trends include consumer driven approaches to educational delivery such as online, accelerated, and weekend programs. These trends create a demand for more flexibility.
- As a campus of commuter students, there are particular campus life needs and considerations that challenge the institution.
- Consistent with national trends, 68% of Highland's student population places into transitional coursework requiring some form of math, English, or reading preparation prior to enrolling in college-level courses.

External Accountability

- Highland provides both transfer and technical education, which fulfills the comprehensive mission of Illinois community colleges.
- The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) has developed the "Illinois Public Agenda for College and Career Success," which provides a strategic framework for Highland and all other Illinois community colleges to follow in addition to local plans.
- The College and the Foundation have co-existed from the beginning days of the College.
 Throughout the years, donors to the Foundation have provided the money to fund many
 critical special projects and initiatives. The Foundation and the generous philanthropy of
 area residents are more important than ever for the College to meet the challenge of the
 next five years.
- The College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and participates in the Academic Quality Improvement Program [Attachment A].

Impact of the Financial Crisis

- Funding for the Illinois Community College System was established with the enabling legislation in 1967. Since the system's inception, the funding model has been 1/3 state, 1/3 local taxes, 1/3 student tuition. As state resources have dwindled, the Illinois community college system has been underfunded. State funding is now at the lowest percentage of the total budget in the College's history. This is especially problematic given the fact that Illinois community colleges now serve over 67% of all higher education students yet receive less than 13% of the total funding allocated for all of higher education in Illinois.
- The College has had to increasingly rely on local tax revenues and student tuition dollars in the last decade. Combined these two provided 87% of the College revenue in FY16.
- Illinois' state funding support has been declining since 2003. State funding, compounded by the budget impasse, accounted for just 5+% of the revenue in FY16.

Strategic Planning Process

Highland Community College President Tim Hood invited community members, College faculty and staff to help the College develop a strategic plan that would move us forward in the years 2017 through 2022 [Attachment B]. The Strategic Planning Council, led by retired superintendent and Freeport resident Dr. Peter Flynn, was charged with assessing the College's strengths and challenges, gathering feedback and input, and developing directions that will guide the College from 2017 - 2022.

The SPC's initial meeting was held in October 2015. The group met nine times over the next nine months. Initial meetings included presentation of the environmental scan of the College district, discussions related to the College vision and mission, and organizational work such as developing sub-committees and organizing a series of focus groups.

The SPC's discussions were also grounded in factual information about the region's population and demography as well as educational and economic environment. A series of informational forums were held with HCC President Tim Hood, Executive Vice President Chris Kuberski, Director of Institutional Research Dr. Misty Thruman, Regional Superintendent Aaron Mercier, Northern Illinois Development Alliance Director Dave Young and Tri-County Economic

Development Alliance Director Lisa McCarthy, Gisele Hamm from the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at Western Illinois University, and a panel of community representatives from the Mapping Communities Project. Sub-committees were assigned reading, research and discussion work regarding the College's performance and best practices. State and local reports and documents were compiled and held on reserve for sub-committee use.

Information from a community survey conducted by HCC Office of Institutional Research along with a series of focus groups helped the SPC understand the community's perceptions of and priorities for Highland Community College. SPC members led eleven community focus groups including at least one in each of the counties comprising the Highland district (Carroll, Jo Daviess, Ogle, and Stephenson) and three focus groups with faculty and staff. Following each focus group, a report was provided to the SPC by the facilitator and/or note taker.

The SPC used a variety of techniques to assimilate gathered information including a Strengths, Opportunities, Weaknesses, and Threats (SWOT) analysis. The SPC was also challenged through their sub-committees to identify goals and objectives after synthesizing the large amount of input that had been gathered. The goals and objectives identified were then considered internally by the College Cabinet and Board of Trustees.

The Strategic Plan is focused on key issues that have been determined to be of greatest importance. The expectations for the SPC's planning process was to identify the priority strategic goals and objectives that would require additional emphasis over the next five years rather than to develop detailed operational plans for organizational units. Based on the plan's strategic goals and objectives, division and departmental long range plans will be established to support the achievement of the strategic goals. The actionable long range plans will identify project accountability, key performance indicators and targets for the objectives outlined in this plan. Progress monitoring reports will be shared with the Board of Trustees and College employees, and will be made available to the College stakeholders.

Goals and Objectives

Strengthen and expand high quality educational pathways for diverse student populations

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop a matriculation pathway between high school and college level courses that aligns with secondary education and college readiness benchmarks.

Enhance dual credit and distance education offerings through online and video streaming formats.

Support the expected learning outcomes by having optimal class sizes.

Analyze potential new and existing programs in order to determine their viability and sustainability.

Identify viable new course offerings for existing programs.

Improve the outcomes and goal attainment for transitional students.

Strengthen programs and services in ways that increase student retention and engagement.

Enhance affordable and convenient access to educational opportunities

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop a plan to expand capabilities and course offerings delivered through real-time interactive video systems and other related technologies as they become available.

Provide online services that enhance student convenience including online registration for Business Institute, Lifelong Learning, and student support areas.

Develop an equitable, financially sustainable model for dual credit.

Provide delivery options that promote district-wide accessibility of general education.

Expand and optimize the College's online presence in order to reach a wider geographic area.

Increase new scholarship and grant support opportunities by 20% for Highland students enrolled in a range of educational opportunities.

Explore new and existing partnerships in an effort to expand access to affordable childcare for students with dependent children.

Develop sustainable models to address student financial needs and challenges

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Maintain sustainability of Auxiliary Funds in order to benefit students with high quality extra-curricular and co-curricular experiences.

Develop methods of assisting students with emergency funding.

Assess impact and develop recommendations for a student debt forgiveness program and policy modifications that promote lifelong learning in our communities.

Increase funding for the student worker program.

Reduce percentage of students losing eligibility for financial aid due to their academic progress.

Analyze tuition pricing strategies with a focus on the optimal balance between affordability and sustainability.

Expand and strengthen educational program offerings and modes of instructional delivery

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Increase and align instructional expectations, course offerings and instructional competencies in multi-instructional delivery formats including online and dual credit.

Promote continuous quality improvement of the educational experiences provided through course level and program assessment of learner outcomes.

Utilize professional and discipline related best practices, including inclusive learning methods such as universal design, across all disciplines.

Implement and align technology, schedule, and academic programming to meet the demand for interactive video delivered courses from dual credit through lifelong learning.

Cultivate and strengthen partnerships with other educational institutions, businesses, and community organizations

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Increase total number of students served by 30% in all existing and future programs.

Cultivate contracts with employers to provide skill development for current or prospective employees.

Expand regional partnerships by 25% through the Business Institute, Lifelong Learning and continuing education, K-12 system, and four-year institutions combined.

Strengthen partnerships with local employers to enable workplace experiences, training, and education options.

Continuously assist with faculty and staff professional development in order to maintain high performance learning environments and services contributing to a caring and supportive campus climate which encourages student engagement

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Seek alternative funding in order to restore professional development opportunities to peak levels of FY15.

Provide faculty development on Curriculum and Instruction for the 21st Century Learner, use of academic technology, teaching strategies, and assessment that support learning outcomes in face-to-face, hybrid and online classrooms.

Enhance faculty and staff development for teaching and assisting transitional students.

Promote an inclusive environment that respects and values all individuals.

In collaboration with fundraising partners, maximize new and existing alternative funding sources in order to offset decreasing state funding and to maintain quality and momentum

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop a plan to sustain adult education opportunities and maximize available resources.

Develop short and long-term resource plans that reduce reliance on state funding further and increase funding from alternative sources so that the College operating budget may be restored to peak FY15 levels.

Maximize external partnerships and use of grants that have a positive budgetary impact and align with our mission.

Increase sponsorships to support the funding of new and existing programs.

Provide safe, comfortable, eco-friendly learning environments in terms of infrastructure, facilities, and technology

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop a long-term plan for key capital investments in the facilities that improve learning and engagement in academic and student support areas.

Develop a campus-wide infrastructure plan that addresses technology and security systems.

Enhance athletic facilities to maintain existing programs and respond to the potential for new athletic programs.

Strengthen marketing mix and strategies in order to more fully showcase College strengths in ways that connect effectively with diverse audiences--especially potential new and returning students, alumni and other potential friends of the College

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Engage prospective students through consistent contact models of recruitment.

Involve faculty, staff and students in programs that recruit prospective students.

Target communication and marketing efforts toward underrepresented students.

Ensure effective marketing and communication district-wide.

Increase the College's presence in district high schools.

Promote new and existing programs more effectively throughout the district.

Further develop and cultivate interactive communication channels with external constituents and stakeholders

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop our understanding of the programmatic and service needs of our communities.

Expand the strategic use of social media and technology to help foster communication with our district.

Increase participation and engagement with external organizations, business and industry and governing bodies.

Increase membership in the Alumni Association by 100%.

Further develop and cultivate interactive communication channels between College departments and members of the College community

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Recognize teaching excellence, creativity and initiative of faculty and staff.

Ensure Highland's core values and code of conduct promote and ensure a professional and productive environment.

Foster collaboration between academic and non-academic personnel.

Implement communication strategies designed to better share committee work, campus news and updates in order to create a more informed and engaged campus community that results in a 25% increase in attendance and viewership for Campus Connections.

Ensure employee needs are better understood and addressed through enhanced communication strategies.

Increase efforts to raise awareness and interest in college history and tradition

Exhibit commitment to engage more collaboratively in continuous improvement processes and dialogue

Objectives that will help us reach this goal include:

Develop and implement project management tools to assist with defining a scope of work, particularly for strategic planning projects.

Create evaluation plans to monitor the progress and ensure success of key projects.

Refine criteria for ICCB program evaluation.

Utilize evaluation data to develop key improvement strategies and initiatives.

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Institutional Objectives/AQIP Categories Crosswalk

	Category One: Helping Students Learn focuses on the design, deployment, and effectiveness of teaching-learning processes (and on the processes required to support them) that underlie the institution's credit and non-credit programs and courses.	Category Two: Meeting Student and Other Key Stakeholder Needs addresses the key processes (separate from instructional programs and internal support services) through which the institution serves its external stakeholders in support of its mission.	Category Three: Valuing Employees explores the institution's commitment to the hiring, development, and evaluation of faculty, staff, and administrators.	Category Four: Planning and Leading focuses on how the institution achieves its mission and lives its vision through direction setting, goal development, strategic actions, threat mitigation, and capitalizing on opportunities.	Category Five: Knowledge Management and Resource Stewardship addresses management of the fiscal, physical, technological, and information infrastructures designed to provide an environment in which learning can thrive.	Category Six: Quality Overview focuses on the Continuous Quality Improvement culture and infrastructure of the institution. This category gives the institution a chance to reflect on all its quality improvement initiatives, how they are integrated, and how they contribute to improvement of the institution.
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educational pathways for						
diverse student populations						
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Develop a matriculation						
pathway between high school						
and college level courses that						
aligns with secondary						
education and college						
readiness benchmarks.	X					
Enhance dual credit and						
distance education offerings						
through online and video						
streaming formats.	X					
Support the expected learning						
outcomes by having optimal						
class sizes.	X					
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programs.				X	
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goal attainment for					
transitional students.	X				
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services in ways that increase					
student retention and					
engagement.	X				
GOAL: Enhance affordable					
and convenient access to					
educational opportunities					
OBJECTIVES:					
Develop a plan to expand					
capabilities and course					
offerings delivered through					
real-time interactive video					
systems and other related					
technologies as they become					
available.				X	
Provide online services that					
enhance student convenience					
including online registration					
for Business Institute, Lifelong					
Learning, and student support					
areas.		X			
Develop an equitable,					
financially sustainable model					
for dual credit.				X	
Provide delivery options that					
promote district-wide					
accessibility of general					
education.		X			
Expand and optimize the					
College's online presence in					
order to reach a wider					
geographic area.		X			
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grant support opportunities						
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educational opportunities.				X		
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models to address student						
financial needs and						
challenges						
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Maintain sustainability of						
Auxiliary Funds in order to						
benefit students with high						
quality extra-curricular and						
co-curricular experiences.					X	
Develop methods of assisting						
students with emergency						
funding.					X	
Assess impact and develop						
recommendations for a						
student debt forgiveness						
program and policy						
modifications that promote						
lifelong learning in our						
communities.		X				
Increase funding for the		^				
student worker program.					v	
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Reduce percentage of						
students losing eligibility for						
financial aid due to their	_					
academic progress.	Х					
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strategies with a focus on the						
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program offerings and modes				
of instructional delivery				
OBJECTIVES:				
Increase and align				
instructional expectations,				
course offerings and				
instructional competencies in				
multi-instructional delivery				
formats including online and				
dual credit.	X			
Promote continuous quality	^			
improvement of the				
educational experiences				
provided through course level				
and program assessment of				
learner outcomes.				X
Utilize professional and				
discipline related best				
practices, including inclusive				
learning methods such as				
universal design, across all				
disciplines.	X			X
Implement and align				
technology, schedule, and				
academic programming to				
meet the demand for				
interactive video delivered				
courses from dual credit				
through lifelong learning.		 	X	
GOAL: Cultivate and				
strengthen partnerships with				
other educational				
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institutions, businesses, and						
community organizations						
community organizations						
OBJECTIVES:						
Increase total number of						
students served by 30% in all						
existing and future programs.	X					
Cultivate contracts with						
employers to provide skill						
development for current or						
prospective employees.				X		
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12 system, and four-year						
institutions combined.		X				
Strengthen partnerships with						
local employers to enable						
workplace experiences,						
training, and education						
options.		X				
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GOAL: Continuously assist						
with faculty and staff						
professional development in						
order to maintain high						
performance learning						
environments and services						
contributing to a caring and						
supportive campus climate						
which encourages student						
engagement						
OBJECTIVES:					_	
Seek alternative funding in						
order to restore						
professional development						
opportunities to peak levels						
of FY15.			X			

Provide faculty development				
on Curriculum and Instruction				
for the 21 st Century Learner,				
use of academic technology,				
teaching strategies, and				
assessment that support				
learning outcomes in face-to-				
face, hybrid and online				
classrooms.		X		
Enhance faculty and staff				
development for teaching and				
assisting transitional students.		X		
Promote an inclusive				
environment that respects				
and values all individuals.		x		
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GOAL: In collaboration with				
fundraising partners,				
maximize new and existing				
alternative funding sources in				
order to offset decreasing				
state funding and to maintain				
quality and momentum				
OBJECTIVES:				
Develop a plan to sustain				
adult education opportunities				
and maximize available				
resources.			X	
Develop short and long-term				
resource plans that reduce				
reliance on state funding				
further and increase funding				
from alternative sources so				
that the College operating				
budget may be restored to				
peak FY15 levels.			X	
Maximize external				
partnerships and use of grants				
that have a positive budgetary				
impact and align with our				
mission.			X	

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Increase sponsorships to					
support the funding of new					
and existing programs.			X		
GOAL: Provide safe,					
comfortable, eco-friendly					
learning environments in					
terms of infrastructure,					
facilities, and technology					
OBJECTIVES:					
Develop a long-term plan for					
key capital investments in the					
facilities that improve learning					
and engagement in academic					
and student support areas.			X	X	
Develop a campus-wide			Λ	Λ	
infrastructure plan that					
addresses technology and					
security systems.				X	
Enhance athletic facilities to				^	
maintain existing programs					
and respond to the potential					
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for new athletic programs.				X	
GOAL: Strengthen marketing					
mix and strategies in order to					
more fully showcase College					
strengths in ways that					
connect effectively with					
diverse audiencesespecially					
potential new and returning					
students, alumni and other					
potential friends of the					
College					
OBJECTIVES:					
Engage prospective students					
through consistent contact					
models of recruitment.		X			

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Involve faculty, staff and				
students in programs that				
recruit prospective students.	X			
Target communication and				
marketing efforts toward				
underrepresented students.	X			
Ensure effective marketing				
and communication district-				
wide.	X			
Increase the College's	^			
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presence in district high	V			
schools.	X			
Promote new and existing				
programs more effectively				
throughout the district.	Х			
GOAL: Further develop and				
cultivate interactive				
communication channels				
with external constituents				
and stakeholders				
OBJECTIVES:				
Develop our understanding of				
the programmatic and service				
needs of our communities.	X		X	
Expand the strategic use of			~	
social media and technology				
to help foster communication				
with our district.	X			
Increase participation and	^			
engagement with external				
organizations, business and				
industry and governing	v			
bodies.	X			
Increase membership in the				
Alumni Association by 100%.	X			

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GOAL: Further develop and					
cultivate interactive					
communication channels					
between College					
departments and members					
of the College community					
OBJECTIVES:					
Recognize teaching					
excellence, creativity and					
initiative of faculty and staff.			X		
Ensure Highland's core values					
and code of conduct promote					
and ensure a professional and					
productive environment.			X		
Foster collaboration between			-		
academic and non-academic					
personnel.			X		
Implement communication					
strategies designed to better					
share committee work,					
campus news and updates in					
order to create a more					
informed and engaged					
campus community that					
results in a 25% increase in					
attendance and viewership					
for Campus Connections.			x		
Ensure employee needs are			X		
better understood and					
addressed through enhanced					
communication strategies.			x		
Increase efforts to raise			^		
awareness and interest in					
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college history and tradition		٨	۸		
GOAL: Exhibit commitment					
to engage more					
collaboratively in continuous					
improvement processes and					
dialogue					
OBJECTIVES:					
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Develop and implement			
project management tools to			
assist with defining a scope of			
work, particularly for strategic			
planning projects.		X	X
Create evaluation plans to			
monitor the progress and			
ensure success of key			
projects.		X	X
Refine criteria for ICCB			
program evaluation.			X
Utilize evaluation data to			
develop key improvement			
strategies and initiatives.			X

Attachment B

Strategic Planning Council Members

Scott	Anderson	Dean, Business and Technology	Highland CC
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Jim	Berberet	Executive Director, Foundation	Highland CC
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Justin	Ebert	Agriculture Instructor	Highland CC
Dr. Peter	Flynn	SPC Chair, former public school superintendent	_
Liz	Gerber	Vice President, Student Development and Support Services	Highland CC
Jim	Gitz	Mayor	City of Freeport
Jen	Grobe	Nursing Instructor	Highland CC
Nathan	Hensal	Director, ITS	Highland CC
Tim	Hood	President and CEO	Highland CC
Mark	Jansen	Director, Adult Education	Highland CC
Jill	Janssen	Vice President, Administrative Services	Highland CC
Donna	Kauke	Dean, Health, Natural Science and Math	Highland CC
Chris	Kuberski	Exec. Vice President	Highland CC
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