In Attendance:
Cathy Archer
Barb Ciaramitaro
Bob Eastley
Dave Eisler
Fritz Erickson
Don Green
Kim Hancock
Dorothy Hart
Mike Hughes
Leonard Johnson
Michelle Johnston
Brooke McComb
Kristen Motz
David Pilgrim
Kristin Salomonson
Nate Tymes
John Urbanick
John Willey
Leroy Wright

Guests:
Susan Jones and Alison Popp

Action
Chair Leonard Johnson began the meeting with a moment of silence in memory of Dean Ellen Haneline, who passed away October 12, 2010.

1. Approval of the 9/13/11 meeting notes.
   SPARC members approved the September 13, 2011 meeting summary.

“Tweaking the Plan” (cont.)
The focus of the discussion was to evaluate progress made toward and to suggest possible revisions to each of the initiatives designed to help move the University toward the achievement of Goals 4, 5 and 6 of the Strategic Plan:

Goal 4: Provide a state-of-the-art, sustainable and safe learning, living and working environment.

   Mike Hughes reported on the progress of Initiatives 1-6, including the completion of East Campus Suites; renovation of residence halls, labs and classrooms; planning and phasing of the University Center; implementing components of the Master Plan; and projects moving Ferris toward sustainability.

   Initiative 1: ongoing
   Initiative 2: ongoing

   Proposed edited language: Develop and implement a plan for the renovation of the student (Rankin) center University Center.

   Initiative 3: While this is project is ongoing, more than labs and classrooms need attention. Additionally, the change in the number of students with laptops will affect the number of computer labs needed. The IT Plan will address this topic.
Approved 11/8/11

**Proposed edited language:** Upgrade lab spaces and classrooms, including appropriate working environment and furniture for faculty and staff, based on the identified needs of the users.

Initiative 4: ongoing

*Note:* While the parking plan is a component of the Master Plan, it should be posted online to be more transparent and so that the University community may provide input/comments.

Initiative 5: The current initiative has been accomplished – remove.

Initiative 6: ongoing (move to Initiative 5)

Initiative 7: ongoing (move to Initiative 6)

Goal 5: Foster collaborative internal and external working relationships.

Initiative 1: ongoing

Initiative 2: ongoing

Initiative 3: ongoing

Initiative 4: ongoing

D. Pilgrim stated that this initiative is more broad than the current language would suggest.

**Proposed edited language:** Enhance relationships with industry, business, human services and other agencies, other educational institutions and government.

Initiative 5: ongoing

K. Salomonson shared that the new “satisfactory academic progress” language and policies are being communicated to students and media.

Goal 6: Foster innovation and improve processes to move the University forward.

Initiative 1: ongoing

Initiative 2: Susan Jones, Alison Popp and Don Green provided updates on the many accomplishments and upcoming plans from the Ferris First Committee and the Academic Incubator.

**Proposed edited language:** The Ferris First Committee will continue to review market trends, identify opportunities and work with appropriate leaders and structures to facilitate the development of innovative projects.

Initiative 3: The current initiative has been accomplished - remove.

**Proposed new initiative:** Develop and implement the Academic Incubator structure and processes.

Initiative 4: ongoing

Initiative 5: ongoing

SPARC members suggested that a running list of accomplishments from the Goals and Initiatives be posted on the SPARC web site, along with the updated Strategic Plan.

The proposed Strategic Plan edits will be sent to SPARC members for review prior to the next meeting. Following adoption by SPARC, townhall meeting(s) will be set for University community input.

President Eisler will identify possible community members for SPARC.

**Closing / Next meeting date:**
Tuesday, November 8, 3-5pm at WCCC

Adjourned 4:40pm
Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner