How to Further Communicate the Strategic Planning Process
Currently information about the Strategic Planning process is available on the website. Also on the website are notes from the open forums and meetings each of the task forces and working groups have had. We have received few public comments, comments posted to the website, and few emails regarding the Strategic Planning process. The group discussed ideas to increase the amount of feedback received from the community.

It was agreed that once the draft reports are posted to the website, an email would be sent to the campus community, informing them of the draft report and inviting them to a meeting where they can provide their feedback.

Task force and working group staffers will continue to post open forum and meeting notes to the website. Additionally, we should continue to increase visibility of the Strategic Planning process in our day to day interactions on campus.

Status of Task Forces and Working Groups
The task forces gave an update on work to date and evolving themes.

Community Engagement task force shared the K-12 Partnership working group held their first open forum in Balboa Park. It was well attended by K-12 educators. A common concern raised was their ability to identify the appropriate person at the university to speak to; they feel it is hard to do things because they do not know who to go to. They also shared they would like to do more academic enrichment programs with the university. The Campus Climate working group had their second forum; they are working hard to obtain feedback and ideas from the campus community. The Economic Development working group had their first meeting, they are identifying future synergies but nothing has rose to the top yet.

Diversity task force has had three meetings. Each meeting focuses on a different area of their charge. At the latest meeting they spoke about STEM programs and the role of ethnic studies on campus. There is a lot of information out there and they are continuing to gather information and discuss it. They are sensitive of the progress we
have made with the various programs around campus and want to ensure that their actions do not impede on that progress. Themes are beginning to emerge and there is a lot of positive energy surrounding their discussions.

Internationalization task force shared they have had discussions in their meetings that focus on specific numbers and metrics. They have identified a recommendation that in addition to an increase in the number of international students we have on campus, the students should be diverse in both geography and discipline. They have also begun to discuss a recommendation to recruit international student comprehensively. Their next meeting will look at distance learning.

Research and Creative Endeavors task force shared an update from the Creative and Performing Arts working group. The Creative and Performing Arts working group is focusing on three areas: visibility of the arts on campus and in the community, more collaboration of research across the campus, in particular focusing in the areas of STEAM, and increase collaboration with KPBS. The Research working group has begun to identify themes, these include: the teacher-scholar model, distinguishing our research, and cross-unit collaboration. Themes that are emerging are themes that can be addressed within the Research and Creative Endeavors task force.

Student Success and Academic Excellence task force had a good turnout at the open forum and received a lot of good feedback. Their conversations have been data-based and in the areas where they have limited data, they are identifying ways to obtain the data. They have set subgroups to address two separate issues, these are, student alcohol and drug use and instructional technology. They added they are hoping the work done on this task force can set up the WASC process.

The next meeting of the Steering Committee and Task Force Co-chairs is November 20, 2012.