

**University Council
Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2023 | 8:30-10:00am**

Present: President Peters, Tina Fuchs, Randi Lydum, Katie Wojke, Evan Sorce, Malissa Larson, Chelle Batchelor, Leeann Merrill, Michael Baltzley, Rico, Paige Jackson, Cara Groshong, Dominique Vargas, Judy Sylva, Breeann Flesch, Mark Girod, Kathy Cassity, Ana Karaman, Rebecca Chiles, Michael Ellis, Hillary Fouts

WOU Planning Team: Rian Gayle, Denise Thew

1. Welcome | President Peters

President Peters welcomed the group and gave an overview of the purpose of University Council (UC). He shared the importance that UC will play in the development of WOU's new Strategic Plan, introducing Associate Provost Judy Sylva as the project manager.

2. Strategic Planning Discussion | Judy Sylva & WOU Planning Team

Judy provided an summary of the [current Strategic Plan, Forward Together 2017-2023](#) and shared a [video](#) prepared by the WOU planning team. The video outlined the current process for developing the next generation of the Strategic Plan.

Sylva also reviewed a detailed [overview of the process, roles and responsibilities](#) of the President, University Council, the Campus Community, WOU's Shared Governance Senates, the Board of Trustees, her role as the Project Manager, and members of the Planning Team. The overview also included a timeline for the planning process. She highlighted the role of the University Council and the ways this group will engage in the work over the next year.

3. Breakout Groups: Review Forward Together Mission, Vision, and Values

The Council broke into small groups for focused discussion regarding the Mission, Vision, and Values of the current Strategic Plan, *Forward Together*, with each team focusing on a specific aspect. The teams utilized Google documents to provide input and returned to the collective group to share their feedback. The feedback provided will become a useful tool for the Planning Team and for next steps.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30am.

