

# **Strategic Themes Summary Report**

presented to the Faculty Senate March 9, 1999  
by the Faculty Senate Committee on University Planning

As outlined in the strategic themes generation process, and as agreed upon and determined by the Faculty Senate Leadership Group and the Central Administration, we are presenting the strategic themes summary report. These themes have been generated, upon the request of the Strategic Planning Committee, by the individual College Committees on Planning. Their reports have included the evaluation of the existing five strategic themes and the suggestion for new themes to be included in the strategic plan.

The strategic themes summary report by FSCOUP has been based on the reports by the individual CCOP reports and the president's office report on the same subject. As called for in the original process outline schedule, FSCOUP has not received the strategic themes report by the Dean's Council and our strategic themes summary report is short for that particular component and was not able to take into account such an eventual additional perspective.

In composing the strategic themes report FSCOUP has tried to find logical common denominators and group themes under related subject title while taking into account and trying to include and represent all the varying aspect of so proposed and discussed ideas. Further FSCOUP has tried to bring cohesion and focus to the grouped themes through advocating articulation of a specific emphasis within each given theme.

## **Proposed Strategic Themes:**

Recruitment, Support and Retention of High Quality Faculty

Contribution to Environmental Health

Instructional Technologies

University Learning Environment

University Libraries

(In addition to the CCOPs generated themes FSCOUP, as a consequence of its involvement with the university planning issues, has reached a decision that the attainment of the ARL status for KSU Libraries constitutes a critical academic concern and proposes it as an additional new strategic theme.)

## **Existing Strategic Themes:**

#1 Strengthen and enhance the quality of graduate and research Programs

#2 Ensure that all curricula rest upon a common intellectual foundation

#3 Contribute to the state's economic enrichment and environmental health

#4 Respond to the educational needs and special circumstances of diverse groups

#5 Enhance international emphasis

In its deliberations FSCOUP has reached the decision that the following four strategic themes constitute a core of the most critical academic issues to be faced and pursued in the next five to ten years. The themes are organized by their assessed priority status.

University Libraries

Recruitment, Support and Retention of High Quality Faculty

Strengthen and enhance the quality of graduate and research Programs

Contribution to Environmental Health

Instructional Technologies

Following the senate presentation of the strategic themes summary, FSCOUP will take into account and incorporate senate feedback, input and eventual amendments and prepare the final report. This report will be subsequently forwarded to the Strategic Planning Committee and used as a basis for the generation of the strategic plan draft.

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The above constitutes the Strategic Themes Summary Report. The full report is on file in the Faculty Senate Office, 211 Fairchild Hall. If you wish to have a copy sent, phone 2-6053 or e-mail [facsen@ksu.edu](mailto:facsen@ksu.edu).

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