

**MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
UTICA AND ROME, NEW YORK**

**Strategic Planning Council
Friday, March 6, 2015
2:00 pm-PH 300 and PC 131**

Present: Franca Armstrong, Marianne Buttenschon, Jennifer DeWeerth, Maryrose Eannace, Nick Gioppo, Paul Katchmar, David Katz, Don Kelly, Ron Labuz, Jim Lynch, Bill McDonald, Mike McHarris, Nelissa Nowicki, Mark Radlowski, Stephanie Reynolds, Norayne Rosero, Roman Santos, Geri Sultenfuss, Randall VanWagoner

Chair Marianne Buttenschon called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

1. Review/Approval of the Minutes of the February 6, 2015 Meeting: On a motion by Stephanie Reynolds, seconded by Jennifer DeWeerth and unanimously passed, the minutes of the February 6 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. Group Reports: Work groups reported recommendations on matters that should be included in the next strategic plan. Groups were asked to briefly summarize recommendations and priorities and send them to the chair before spring break.
3. Determination of common themes: The following common themes were identified:
 - a. Student Success
 - b. Alignment of programs with employer needs
 - c. Development and incorporation of internship/experiential learning in programs
 - d. Incorporation of assessment in initiatives
 - e. The need to acquire additional, appropriate data
4. Communication with the college community: Campus conversations will be scheduled in the two weeks following spring break to discuss the strategic planning effort with others in the college. The discussions will include summaries of information developed in last year's community and college conversations, summaries of the analyses conducted by the work group and a request for input on the plan.
5. Next meetings: Meetings of the full SPC have been scheduled for: April 10, April 24, May 8 and May 22.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Kelly
Recorder