



Strategic Planning Committee Minutes

October 1, 2021 at 4:30 pm On Zoom

In Attendance: Robert Best, Gary Thomas, Susan McGowan, Kimberly Lavallee, Patricia Humphrey (non-voting)

1. The meeting was opened and called to order at 4:30 PM by Chair Susan McGowan.

2. Committee Discussion:
 - a. The committee was updated regarding the conversation with Chairman Thomas, Mr. Best and MCC President. It was very positive and everyone understands the need for future planning and space for classrooms. We will have several classrooms on campus next year in addition to the five we currently rent. Spark and MCC will work to open new program opportunities for students. MCC is very pleased with Director Mailloux and the Spark program.
 - b. The discussion with the President also focused on the availability of adjuncts to teach courses as needed. It was well received and this will be shared with the administration.
 - c. The need to grow the Spark program was clear. We have 30 new students for the 2021-2022 year but would like to focus on 45-60 for 2022-2023. The Admissions Committee is willing and ready to support this.
 - d. As Spark continues to grow it may need a secondary location for first and second year students. The goal is to retain space at MCC for students enrolled in college programs.
 - e. The committee reviewed the need for parent events and possibly faculty events. It was mentioned that most board members do not know the faculty and would like the opportunity to meet them at board meetings and/or various school events.

10. Next Meeting: October 15, 2021 at 4:00pm