Framework for the University’s Strategic Plan

Preliminary and for Discussion and Input

Italics are used for suggested language or ideas presented for discussion.

Letter from the President/Introduction

[Purpose and Rationale: What this strategic plan is intended to be and why it is important at this moment.

Might include:

• Brief history of U of I – the foundation for this plan.
• Significant changes over the past few years.
• Current and fundamental strengths. “A University System of Remarkable Breadth and Quality”
• “At a Crossroads”: most significant challenges/opportunities at this point in time.
• What U of I intends to accomplish with this strategic plan.]
Mission [To be drafted]

Current Mission (https://www.uillinois.edu/about/mission):
The University of Illinois will transform lives and serve society by educating, creating knowledge and putting knowledge to work on a large scale and with excellence.

Vision [To be drafted]

Current Vision (ibid)
To create a brilliant future for the University of Illinois in which the students, faculty and staff thrive and the citizens of Illinois, the nation and the world benefit, a future in which the University of Illinois is the recognized leader among public research universities in:

- Teaching, scholarship and service
- Engagement and public service
- Economic development
- Arts and culture
- Global reach
- Athletics

Core Values [To be drafted]

Current Values Statement (ibid)
Guiding Values
In all that the University does, we will:

- Aim high
- Strive to control our destiny
- Be accountable for our actions and exercise responsible stewardship
- Be inclusive, treat each other with dignity and respect and promote citizenship
- Value excellence, quality and service
- Foster innovation and creativity

Ideas/suggestions/examples for replacement core values

- Student centeredness
- Integrity and stewardship
- Accessibility and affordability
- Service to the public/society
- Diversity
**Strategic Objectives**

I. Build a prosperous and healthy future for the state of Illinois
II. Create an accessible, networked, “24/7” University
III. Clarify the University’s identity and broaden its reputation
IV. Demonstrate effective stewardship and efficient use of resources throughout the University

**Conclusion**

[To be drafted]

*Might include:*

- A “call to arms”
- *The University of Illinois promise to its own community and the citizens of Illinois*
- *What happens next*