

Meeting Purpose

Alaska Postsecondary Access and Completion Network planning team members reconvened to continue development work on the Network. Members reviewed and refined the draft Network Strategic Plan document, produced based on the team’s discussions and decisions from November 2013 to present. The planning team also discussed design and formation of a Network leadership structure, and received progress reports of Network projects being carried out by team subcommittees.

Key Meeting Outcomes

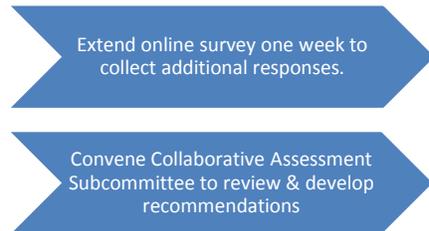
Refinement of Draft Network Strategic Plan	Agreed to Begin Formation of a Network Leadership Structure	Formed Spring Summit Planning Subcommittee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refined Challenges for Postsecondary Education in Alaska: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expectations • Preparation • Affordability • Support • Feedback will be compiled into a second draft and distributed to planning team members for further consideration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network staff will draft roles and responsibilities for a potential Executive Committee to serve as interim leadership and distribute for refinement via email • Leadership should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representation of stakeholder sectors • Individuals committed to active participation • Nominations will be collected electronically and provided to planning team members before election process is initiated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcommittee members will convene to plan for a broader spring 2015 convening of postsecondary access and completion professionals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convening objectives will include best practices sharing as well as creating increased awareness of Network activity • Committee to determine content and/or proposal submission processes; as well as target attendees and stakeholder groups • ACPE will contract for event planning assistance and support



Collaborative Assessment Subcommittee Update

Lacy Karpilo, Collaborative Assessment Subcommittee lead, summarized Collaborative Assessment Tool survey responses from 7 members. The planning team agreed to reopen the survey for one additional week as a final opportunity for member response. The subcommittee will then review responses, develop recommendations, and determine if a SWOT analysis could be developed for inclusion in the strategic plan.

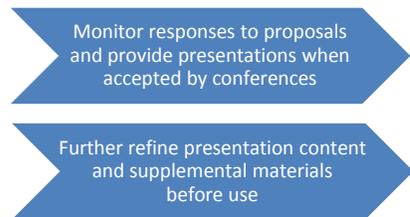
NEXT STEPS



Conference Sectional Subcommittee Update

Brenda Riley, Conference Sectional Subcommittee lead, notified members that conference presentation proposals had been submitted to: the Elders & Youth Conference, Alaska Secondary School Principals Conference, Alaska School Counselor Association Conference, and Alaska Society for Technology in Education Conference. There will also be an opportunity to present at the upcoming University Strategic Enrollment Group meeting, and to have booths at additional conferences. Subcommittee members will present on Network history and activity, and seek stakeholder feedback on needs when proposals are accepted. Subcommittee members will further refine draft content before presentation to the public.

NEXT STEPS



ALASKA POSTSECONDARY ACCESS & COMPLETION NETWORK

MEETING – SEPTEMBER 5, 2014

Postsecondary Access & Completion Programs & Policy Inventory Update

Heather Haugland, Senior Project Manager for McDowell Group LLC., briefly summarized ongoing program and policy inventory activity. McDowell is nearing completion of stakeholder interviews. Next she will release an online survey of postsecondary access and completion programs to targeted program staff. McDowell expects the project to be completed by early November 2014.

NEXT STEPS

ACPE will supervise progress and completion of the Programs & Policy Inventory

McDowell will design & release an online survey of postsecondary access and completion programs

Strategic Plan Review

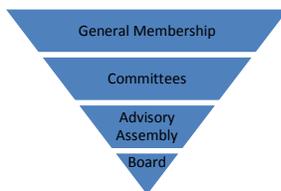
After refinement of strategies at the July meeting, Network staff drafted a strategic plan reflective of the team's discussions, recommendations, and intentions from November 2013 to present. Members provided initial advance feedback through e-mail and a scheduled teleconference discussion. Planning team members distilled the terminology for challenges to postsecondary access and completion in Alaska to: Expectations, Preparation, Affordability, and Support. Additional meeting feedback will be compiled in the strategic plan's next draft and be redistributed to planning team members for review. Content gaps, such as the results of the statewide inventory, will be filled as information becomes available. At this time, the plan remains a working draft. Once ready, it will be finalized through formal adoption by the new Network leadership.

NEXT STEPS

Compile planning team members' feedback and release for a second review

Expectations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previously "Culture Change"	Preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previously "Academic Preparation"	Affordability <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previously "Finances"	Support <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previously "Scalability"
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Network Leadership & Decision-Making



Activity is intensifying, and significant decisions that will impact the Network's long-term success are being made. This requires a more formal leadership structure. Team members heard an updated proposal from the Network Structure Subcommittee. The proposal outlined a structure that includes: a board, advisory assembly to the board, committees, and a broader general membership. Planning team members elected to begin forming a Network Executive Committee representative of stakeholder sectors.

Executive Committee

- Secondary Education
- Postsecondary Education
- State Agencies
- Community Org./Non-Profits
- Business/Chambers
- Native/Tribal Organizations
- Students

In reviewing decision-making processes, planning team members agreed that majority consensus is needed to move major decisions forward. Once formed, the Executive Committee can determine decision-making rules for the team's future use.

NEXT STEPS

Draft and distribute roles and responsibilities for Executive Committee positions for review and consensus of planning team

Begin nominations for Executive Committee positions, and schedule review prior to elections