

Advisory Groups Orientation Meeting – Emerging Themes Notes November 18th, 2015 – Cascades Hall

On behalf of OSU-Cascades, thank you all for volunteering to participate as members of the advisory groups for the next phase of campus planning. More than 50 of you were able to attend the joint orientation session on November 18. Our agenda included:

- Panel presentation covering “What’s Next for OSU-Cascades”: from the perspective of a student, faculty member, and administrator.
- Orientation on specific assignments for the four advisory groups: Sustainability; Health and Wellness; Arts, Culture and Enrichment; and Community Integration.
- An energizing visioning exercise led by local expert Steven Ames.

Materials from the orientation session are attached. The [Orientation PowerPoint presentation](#) is available online. Please take a moment to review these if you were unable to attend.

The visioning exercise revealed these emerging themes:

Place-based. OSU-Cascades is a “destination” university with a reputation for providing a uniquely Central Oregon educational experience.

Superior Teaching. OSU-Cascades recruits outstanding faculty, embracing best practice teaching focused on engaging students, and delivering value added for the investment in education.

Leading Edge. OSU-Cascades functions at the leading edge of research, innovation, communications, and technology, serving as an economic engine for Central Oregon.

Connected. OSU-Cascades serves as a hub connecting higher education with business, government, neighbors, community and culture in Bend, Central Oregon and globally.

Sustainable. OSU-Cascades embeds sustainability in every aspect of its facilities, operations, programs, courses and campus lifestyles.

Healthy and Fit. OSU-Cascades encourages and supports student, faculty and community health, wellness and fitness.

Value-Based. OSU-Cascades’ campus fully embodies the integrity and values of its educational mission and the community it serves in an open, transparent manner.

The next step will be the upcoming meetings of each advisory group on:

December 7 – Health and Wellness

December 3 – All other groups

Beforehand, you will be sent additional information on the recommendations offered earlier by community members who were part of the Campus Expansion Advisory Committee (CEAC).

Meanwhile, if you have any questions please contact Nathan Moses at Nathan.Moses@osucascades.edu or 541-322-2022, and be sure to visit our [LRDP Advisory Groups](#) page for updates.

Again, thank you and welcome aboard!

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