

Committee on Strategic Planning and Priorities

Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2021

Zoom, SSB 105

In attendance: Matt Bender, David Blake, Dylan Chidick, James Fenton, Jana Gevertz, David Hunt, Debra Klokis, Jeff Osborn, David Prensky, Jennifer Prince, Roshni Raji, Lee Ann Riccardi, Lloyd Ricketts, Nino Scarpati, Sean Stalling

Excused: Joe O'Brien

1. Approval of September 22, 2021 minutes
 - a. CSPP approved the May 12 minutes without changes.
2. Proposed Statement on Support for Civic Engagement and Voting
 - a. CSPP discussed and approved the following statement:

The Committee on Strategic Planning and Priorities (CSPP) supports the efforts of many campus groups to encourage students, staff members, and faculty members to participate in our democracy. The committee reminds members of the TCNJ community that there are many ways to exercise the right to vote:

- In-person early voting is available in New Jersey from Saturday, October 23 through Sunday, October 31, 2021.
- Mail-in voters from Mercer County can drop-off their ballots on campus at the Secure Ballot Dropbox outside the Administrative Services Building.
- In-person voting is also available on November 2 at your local election site.

The committee encourages campus offices to create opportunities for staff members to vote on Election Day. Students who are involved in civic engagement activities on Election Day (e.g., working at polls, getting out the vote) should notify their instructors if they anticipate missing class for this reason. In consideration of TCNJ's respect for civic engagement, it is recommended that instructors provide a fair and reasonable opportunity for these students to make up missed work, whenever possible.

More information about voting can be found at <https://vote.tcnj.edu/>

The statement was sent to all members of the TCNJ community in an October 14, 2021 email.

3. Discussion of Strategic Planning and Strategy Working Group
 - a. CSPP discussed the Tyton - SWG meeting earlier in the day.

Topics included Tyton's interviews with key campus stakeholders and its identification of TCNJ's strengths, weakness, opportunities, and threats.

Respectfully submitted,
Dylan Chidick