Integrated Design Initiative Task Force
5/13/20, 2-3:30pm
Virtual Meeting via TEAMS

Attendees:

Task Force: Taylor Adkins, Ibukun Awolusi, Saadet Beeson, JoAnn Browning, Janis Bush, Ian Caine, Krystel Castillo, Debaditya Chakraborty, Sedef Doganer, William Dupont, Roger Enriquez, Curtis Fish, Marcio Giacomoni, Bailey Greene, Albert Han, Sean Kelly, Elvira Leal, Mark Leung, David Matiella, Arturo Montoya, John Murphy, Jianwei Niu, Neda Norouzi, Nathan Richardson, Humberto Saenz, Fidel Santamaria, Can Saygin, Hatim Sharif, Corey Sparks, Rebecca Weston, Steve Wilkerson

Other Attendees: Shannon Heuberger, Debbie Howard-Rappaport

Agenda

- **Chair updates (JoAnn):**
    - Thanked everyone for continuing progress!
    - A virtual community charrette is planned for June 10th. It was in-the-works prior to this initiative but will serve as a resource.
    - Responding to a question from one of the subcommittees: if you need additional time to complete work, know that you may extend into July.

- **Subcommittees to update and seek input**:
    - **Benchmarking (Ian Caine)**

      The Benchmarking Subcommittee are focusing their efforts to answer four main questions
        - How are relevant disciplines organized within other university structures? Working from part-to-the-whole.
        - Where is the most innovative transdisciplinary work occurring? Working from the whole-to-the-part.
        - What are the best models to study in detail?
        - Can the pandemic inform this effort? Administrative reorganization address grand challenge?

      Data of interest included slides that depicted ACCE accredited programs in Colleges or Schools of Built Environment, Business, Architecture, Design, Art, Engineering, Science and Technology, ACSA Schools where architecture is co-housed with other programs, and an Excel spreadsheet depicting transdisciplinary programs at various universities. Goals are to narrow down select programs to study. Suggestions from the Task Force included to 1) Consider institutions with programs in Urban Planning that connect Architecture and Engineering, as well as community colleges and dual programs and 2) consider research/scholarship aspect when addressing grand challenge.

- o **Identity (Corey Sparks)**

   The Identity Subcommittee is developing a game plan for focus groups with students and Knowledge Café with internal stakeholders. Bill Dupont, David Matiella, and Bailey Greene are taking the lead on the initial planning. Other members of the subcommittee are working on SWOT analysis to define identity. Members of the subcommittee, along with members from the other subcommittees are meeting with faculty from Public Administration, who had reached out, to brief them on the Initiative and seek their input. Will update the Task Force on their findings.
   JoAnn mentioned two similar meetings she will be having with individuals who reached out to learn more.

- o **Community Landscape (Neda Norouzi)**

   The Community Landscape Subcommittee is working on developing a survey as a follow-up to the charrette. Neda Norouzi, John Murphy and Roger Enriquez are taking the lead on initial planning steps. Neda requested for Task Force members to forward any suggestions to her on stakeholders to include (in the charrette and survey) or questions to include.

- **Logistics discussion**

   - o **Phase One Report**

      The Task Force asked what the Phase I end product will look like. JoAnn and Shannon shared the Human Health Planning Advisory Task Force Report as an example and uploaded it to Teams.

- **Areas of subcommittee synergy/crossover?**

   - o Albert volunteered to serve as liaison to the Benchmarking Subcommittee

- **Input Received**

   - o Shannon mentioned that she and Sedef met with a graduate student who had ideas for involving CACP student groups with the process. He will be a great resource for the subcommittees working on a student focus group.
   - o Debbie mentioned that no emails were received in the Integrated.Design@utsa.edu account since the last meeting.

- **Other general discussion**

   - o Discussed methods to gather data that is more than anecdotal. Task Force members suggested using information from professional organizations such as NAAB, ACSA, ASEE (Mark Appleford has access to ASEE), along with our own Institutional Research office and Arya Singh in VPREDKE office for research data.
   - o Discussed Task Force members should be updating their constituents on Initiative, especially those representing other colleges and Faculty Senate or SGA. Bring questions, input or concerns back to general Task Force meeting or Subcommittee meetings for discussion. Also, point to the Initiative website for updates.