

Integrated Design Initiative Task Force

5/26/20, 3-4:30 p.m.

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 Browning)**
 - Asked task force members for any input on the process. Feedback can always be shared with her during the meeting or offline.
 - During one of the subcommittee meetings, a point was brought up regarding other models/ideas and whether or not that should take place now or during Phase 2 of Initiative. JoAnn mentioned that if the topic arises organically, it is fine to discuss or review now, but should be in the context of research.
- **Subcommittees to update and seek input:**
 - **Community Landscape (John Murphy)**

The Community Landscape Subcommittee met on May 18th and discussed the following:

- June 10th Charrette; Tulio Sulbaran and Shannon Heuberger are surveying CACP faculty for questions/topics to pose during Charrette; still need volunteers for facilitators and note takers—if interested, contact Shannon. Invitations scheduled to go out on May 20th. Charrette will use Zoom format with break-out groups for discussion. Raw data will be provided to subcommittee ASAP.
- Subcommittee planning a Post-Charrette survey to cover gap in audiences invited to charrette, but unable to attend. Since Charrette guest list is San Antonio community, subcommittee is considering sending Post-Charrette survey to others in State, region, national and possibly international audience.
- Discussed timeline of Phase 1 report depends upon receiving data from Charrette and conducting Post-Charrette survey; hoping to provide information/data for reporting by end of June, 2020.
- Subcommittee discussed the Task Force, as a whole, should work together connecting subcommittee charge to pandemic-related grand challenges.
- Shannon offered to forward Charrette guest list and tentative topic areas to Task Force members to review and provide suggestions.

- **Benchmarking (Hatim Sharif)**

The Benchmarking Subcommittee met on May 22nd. Discussion focused on the Integrated Programs spreadsheet and how best to work with the content.

- Subcommittee members agreed to identify programs to use as case studies to review. Ask questions: Why you reviewed the program? Why is it a good model for UTSA? What makes a good model for UTSA? Open conversation on what are our strengths and how we can be innovative going forward.
- Agreed that subcommittee members would make first pass through all programs and select programs to review. By next meeting will report on findings.
- Start preparing final deliverable for Phase 1, use existing graphs or graphics. Highlight differences among case studies.

- **Identity (Bailey Greene)**

The Identity Subcommittee met on May 21st and discussed the Faculty Knowledge Cafés and Student Knowledge Café. Selected dates for events.

- Faculty Knowledge Cafés: June 11th, 18th and 25th
- Student Knowledge Café: June 17th
- Discussed the invitation wording for both events.
 - Concepts to be discussed at Faculty Knowledge Cafés include:
 - What is integrated design?
 - Pedagogy of planning/design/construction/engineering education today
 - What is the value of status quo in: planning/design/construction/engineering education?
 - Where is the forefront of integrated design, what does it look like?
 - Peer/aspirant models
 - How might we transform or improve the planning/design/construction/engineering industry?
 - What makes us indispensable? What makes us unique?
 - Concepts to be discussed at the Student Knowledge Café include:
 - What brought you here as a student?
 - What keeps/kept you here as a student?
 - Where will you be when you leave here and where are you going?
 - What has been your transformative educational experience at UTSA?
 - The student Knowledge Café will also have materials for students to read prior to event; TED talks from Christiana Figuerres (Paris Climate Agreement) and Simon Sinek (How Great Leaders Inspire)
- Suggestions from the Task Force included 1) ensuring that there is no confusion with the question – what is integrated design? Design is not in construction and planning and they may see that as confusing. [The Identity Subcommittee members planning the Knowledge Café mentioned the question is a general

identity – who are we as a college and initiative question, and not intended to review each department] and 2) suggested JoAnn create a video to assist with the purpose of the initiative and how it came about. JoAnn asked for talking points from the Task Force to consider for video.

- **Logistics discussion**

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

- Albert Han continues to serve as Community Landscape liaison and Rebecca Weston for the Identity Subcommittee.

- **Input received:**

- Debbie mentioned that no emails were received over the past two weeks in the IntegratedDesign@utsa.edu account.
 - Ibukun Awolusi, Assistant Professor from the Construction Science department, mentioned that the Initiative was a topic at their departmental meeting. He provided an update and referenced the website. Opportunities are given to ask questions and to clarify the process or timeline. Ibukun confirmed with the department that notional models will be developed in Phase 2, which will occur in August and going into the fall semester. A new name for the college will come last during the listening tours.