



True North Initiative Task Force Charge

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To: Co-Chairs Dr. Terry Latour and Dr. Adam Roberts

From: Dale-Elizabeth Pehrsson, President

Re: True North Initiative (TNI) Task Force Charge

Guiding Statement:

The TNI Task Force will broadly represent the various divisions, and departments at the University, while striving to maintain a minimal size that allows it to complete its work. At its discretion, the TNI Task Force may create ad hoc subcommittees that consist of members of the Task Force and/or additional personnel from across the University.

Goals:

The Task Force will produce 5 – 6 University Priorities that will be the basis for actionable goals to be achieved over the next 3 years.

Timeline:

The TNI Task Force will issue a report to the president with priorities by April, 2019.

Charge:

Under the direction of the Co-Chairs, TNI Task Force will undergo a process of review of Clarion University by analyzing data, gathering input and reviewing regional needs and national trends. Based upon information from multiple sources, the members of the TNI will develop no more than six priorities of focus for the university going forward. These priorities will become the basis for an action plan the university will follow over the next 2-3 years. The TNI will communicate its processes to the campus community on a regular basis in order to provide optimal transparency and facilitate maximal input.

Tasks:

1. Update President biweekly.
2. Utilize Enrollment Management Strategic Plan (STEP-UP).
3. Access work force and career trend information, and projections
4. Set final priorities based upon research and analysis:
 - Enrollment/Retention/Graduation rates
 - Finances/Fiscal Stability/Sustainability
 - Academic Programming (current position, enhancements and new programs)
 - Affordability for Students
 - Athletics and Student Programming (e.g. band)
 - Venango Report and Recommendations
 - Traditional and Non-traditional Pedagogy Best Practices
 - Other relevant concerns