

**Strengthening University-Wide Interdisciplinarity
University Strategic Planning Task Force
Third Meeting**

March 20, 2020

Via Zoom (<https://ncsu.zoom.us/j/398995554>)

In Attendance: Paul Lunn, Fred Wright, Jenny Evans, Kelly Wick, Jason Delborne, Owen Duckworth, Amy Grunden, Peter Harries, Blair Kelley, David Hawley, Jonathan Horowitz, Jennifer Kuzma, Jane Lubischer, Mostakima Lubna, Chris McGahan, Jorge Piedrahita, Joshua Pierce, Bret Smith and Rob Smart.

Not in Attendance: John Begeny, Sarah Desmarais, Kevin FitzGerald, Bob Kelly and Ross Meentemeyer.

Approval of Minutes of February 28 Meeting Minutes

Interdisciplinarity Definition

The committee reviewed the working definition. There was discussion about keeping the definition simple, defining a targeted audience, and make sure it is tailored to interdisciplinarity at NC State. These points were discussed for revising the concepts of the definition: 1) Ability to transcend traditional boundaries and 2) Create or solve problems that cannot be solved without interdisciplinarity. These were added to the working definition document for the committee to add comments before the next meeting.

Sub-group assignments and charge

Each sub-group (why do we want and need interdisciplinarity, measurements of success, models of success, and potential survey questions) should assign a chair. Rough drafts from each sub-group are due by Monday, March 30. This will allow others to comment.

The sub-group chairs are:

- Peter Harries, Why do we want and need interdisciplinarity
- Jon Horowitz, Measurements of success
- Jorge Piedrahita, Models of success
- Jason Delborne, Potential survey questions

Proposed next meeting

The next meeting will be Friday, April 3 from 3-5 p.m. via Zoom.