



Louisiana State University at Eunice
 Strategic Planning Committee
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Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes for June 2, 2025
Mumphrey Room 127
3 – 4:30 pm

Ms. Catlyn Lauret, Student Life Coordinator, Staff Senate Chair	Present
Ms. Kristie Broussard Leger, Dean, Div of HSBT & Public Protection & Safety	Present
Ms. Rachelle Brown, Instructor, Communications, Faculty Senate Chairperson	Out of town
Ms. Melonie Ceaser, Interim Director of Facility Services and Safety Coordinator	Zoom
Mr. Audwin Donatto, Associate Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs	Present
Ms. Amanda Dunlap, Assist Prof of Mathematics, Depart Chair, Mathematics	Present
Ms. Alisha Fontenot, Director of Dual Enrollment and LSUE Academy	Present
Dr. Billy Fontenot, Department Chair, English and Humanities	Present
_____ vacant President, Student Government Association	Absent
Ms. Courtney Fruge, Human Resources Manager	Present
Ms. Jamie Funk, Manager - Business Affairs	Present
Ms. Ashley Green, Clinical Coordinator of Radiologic Technology	Present
Mr. Stephen Heyward, Director of Information Technology	Zoom
Ms. Cassie Jobe-Ganucheau, Executive Director of Library & Student Support Services	Present
Ms. Carey Lawson, Associate VC of Univ Advance and Exec Dir of the LSUE Found	Zoom
Ms. Felicia "Nikki" May, Assistant Professor of Business Administration	Present
Dr. Douglas Narby, Associate Professor of Psychology & Coord of Online Education	Present
Mr. Gary Reeves, Instructor of Communications	Present
Dr. Charles Stewart, Dean, Division of Arts and Sciences	Present
Mr. Donnie Thibodeaux, Registrar	Absent
Mr. Travis Webb, Director of Strategic Communication	Present
Mr. Jeff Willis, Director of Athletics	Absent
Dr. Nancee Sorenson, Chancellor (Ex Officio)	Present
Dr. John Hamlin, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost (Ex Officio)	Present
Dr. Paul Fowler, Executive Director for IE and Accreditation (Ex Officio)	Present

- I. Approve the meeting minutes from May 19, 2025. Jamie Funk motioned and Alisha Fontenot seconded; adopted with no dissent.
- II. Comments on 2025 Higher Education Trends article. Fowler did a very brief summary of the Deloitte article highlighting the need for
 - a. financial models aligned with institutional missions,
 - b. risk management,
 - c. aligning academic programs with the evolving labor market,
 - d. reassess what is needed in leadership and governance to meet the current moment, and
 - e. shift toward system-ness to achieve cost savings and efficiencies.

III. Continue editing

- a. Vision
- b. Mission
- c. Values

The committee discussed the vision and goals and generated a number of possibilities using AI to generate some versions (see attached).

IV. Examine “goals” that are used in SACSCOC Standards

2013 “Goals” from the Catalog

In fulfillment of this mission, Louisiana State University Eunice strives to achieve the following:

1. Encourage traditional and nontraditional populations to take advantage of educational opportunities.
2. Create a learning environment which facilitates the integration of knowledge and the development of the whole person.
3. Provide a general education which requires all students to master the skills and competencies necessary for lifelong learning.
4. Provide programs which parallel four-year college and university courses which are directly transferable.
5. Prepare students to meet employment opportunities as determined by regional needs.
6. Prepare programs of developmental studies which will upgrade student skills to the levels necessary for successful college experience.
7. Provide the necessary support services to help students realize their maximum potential.
8. Create and offer programs of Continuing/Adult Education and community service which respond to the needs of the area.

These “goals” are used in SACSOC Standard

- 2.1. Institutional Mission
- 6.1 Full-Time Faculty
- 6.2b Program Faculty
- 8.1 Student Achievement

The committee suggested deleting these goals and perhaps rephrasing some of them and incorporating them as broad reaching goals under the strategic goals.

The meeting was then adjourned, motioned by Amanda Dunlap and seconded by Catlyn Lauret.



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Updated 6/2/25

Vision, Mission, and Values:

5/19/25 Draft Vision:

Louisiana State University at Eunice will be a premier two-year institution of higher education, fostering academic excellence and workforce development through responsiveness, innovation, and partnerships at the state and national level.

5/19/25 Draft Mission Statement and strategic goals:

Louisiana State University at Eunice provides accessible, affordable, high quality, and high value programs that extend lifelong knowledge and skills.

6/2/25 AI Generated Vision and Mission Statements

1 LSU Eunice cultivates opportunities and builds brighter futures by delivering premier two-year education that accelerates academic achievement and workforce development through responsive, innovative, and partnership-driven initiatives for individual and community vitality.

2 Through responsive, innovative, and partnership-driven education, LSU Eunice empowers individuals and strengthens communities by fostering academic excellence and workforce readiness to build brighter futures statewide and nationally.

3 LSU Eunice, through responsive, innovative, and partnership-driven initiatives, empowers individuals and strengthens communities by fostering academic excellence and workforce readiness to build brighter futures statewide and nationally

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(liked this one) 4 LSU Eunice empowers individuals and strengthens communities through responsive, innovative, and partnership-driven initiatives. We foster academic excellence and workforce readiness to build brighter futures for Louisiana and the nation.

5/19/25 Draft Strategic Goal Language

To achieve this mission, LSU Eunice seeks to:

1. Ensure student access
2. Strengthen student success
3. Expand partnerships
4. Demonstrate a culture of continuous improvement

Current Values: LSU Eunice updated 5/19/25

<i>Seek Truth</i>	<i>Embody Responsibility</i>	<i>Provide Accessibility</i>	<i>Promote Collaboration</i>	<i>Foster Knowledge</i>
<p>Seek truth and excellence in all endeavors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value Honesty • Promote Respect • Be Accountable • Uphold Transparency • Open Dialogue • Integrity 	<p>Embody responsibility through teaching and upholding accountability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nationally recognized • Accredited programs of Value • Workforce Driven • Expert Faculty • Fiscally responsible stewardship • Provide upward mobility • Safety (environment) 	<p>Provide accessibility by removing barriers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Admission • Credit for Prior Learning • Veteran-Friendly • Flexible scheduling • 100% Online Options • Multiple Locations • Affordability • Holistic Student Support Services 	<p>Promote collaboration through educational and workforce partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Engagement • Alumni Engagement • Business and Industry Advisory Boards • High School Partnerships • College-Readiness Programs • Transfer programs • Transferable Credits • Internships 	<p>Foster Knowledge through learning and discovery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skill Development • Primary Research • Applied Research • Digital Literacy • Advanced Technology • Shared LSU Talent and Resources