I. Strategic Planning Funding Requests: The objective of this meeting was to obtain ratification from IPBT regarding 2006-07 funding requests ($330,000—one-time dollars for this year) for strategic planning. It was stated that College Council had approved the funding requests on Dec. 14, 2006. References were made to the following informational handouts:

- Office of Instruction, 2006-07 Funding Requests for Strategic Planning by Division, 12/12/06 (3 pages);
- Office of Instruction, 2006-07 Funding Requests for Strategic Planning by Themes, 12/12/06 (2 pages); and
- Office of Instruction, Strategic Planning Funding Requests, December 12, 2006 and Office of Instruction, Criteria for Strategic Planning Funding in 2006-07, January 7, 2007 (both on 1 page)

Judy related the history of the various generations compiling the funding requests from the divisions and categorizing them according to TI’s, CTA’s and criteria—such as: will it contribute to FTES 2006-07; are there other sources of funding; and can the dollars be spent by June 30, 2007? She indicated that she would like to release these dollars as soon as possible to assist those divisions where funding is critical for their upcoming operational needs.

The topic was opened for questions and discussion, and many themes emerged:

- How does strategic planning form the budget funding process?
- IPBT team would like to look at the bigger picture process.
- Accountability is a question—how will that be implemented?
- IPBT members would like to see an evaluation process set up.

Judy gave a chronological list of events going back to December 14 when College Council approved using the themes for criteria for funding to December 19 when senior staff and others met–stating some of their concerns regarding the themes/TI’s/and areas of focus. An agreement was spoken of whereby team leaders would be selected for each TI.
The big question for the IPBT group was, “What TI’s become the focus?” and “What structure will be needed to roll out the major funding for Strategic Planning? Judy shared her thoughts on the five areas that she could see requests categorized under. There are: (1) Outreach; (2) Individual and Retention; (3) Community and Civic Engagement; (4) Cultural Competencies; and (5) Technology.

This group would like to see a leadership team convening with the objective of establishing a long-term plan for the distribution of funds. It has been stated by Brian Murphy that the “process is still in process.” But according to the IPBT group, a larger picture is needed to clarify the process whereby the CTA’s are reflected as criteria for the distribution of funding for strategic planning for the 2007 – 08, 2008 - 09 and 2009 – 10 years.

After the group discussion, the IPBT voted to approve the funding of $330,000 for strategic planning for the 2006 – 07 year. (Noted: there were two abstaining votes.) Members again emphasized that they would like to know more about the process to be utilized in determining to allocation of funding—and have it noted in writing.

Judy will track the funding requests for the items purchased on this first round—ending June 30—and will provide the results to the IPBT—for accountability purposes.