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- Strategic Funding Process and Innovations
- Emphasis on:
  - Shared governance
  - Transparency
  - Assessment for results
- Questions and discussion
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Institutional context
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  • shared governance
  • transparency, and
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Questions and discussion
Minnesota State University, Mankato

- Located 85 miles southwest of the Twin Cities
- Comprehensive Public Masters-Large
- Serves 15,000+ students
- Provides 130+ Undergraduate Programs
- 70+ Graduate Programs with 4 Applied Doctorates
- Organized in 6 Divisions
- Academic Affairs with 6 Academic Colleges
Shared Governance

Administration
Faculty Association (FA)
Service Faculty (MSUAASF)
Clerical/Technical (Classified)
Student Association (MSSA)

Meet & Confer

Planning Sub-Meet and Confer
- Faculty Association
- Service Faculty
- Clerical and Technical
- Student Association
- Administration
- Ex-Officio

Assessment and Evaluation Sub-Meet and Confer
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Budget Sub-Meet and Confer
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Innovation Fund

Purpose
- Provide an opportunity and seed funding for innovative ideas to emerge from the campus community

Shared Governance
- Projects submitted via administrative channels
- Projects prioritized by administrative channels

Transparency
- Common application form developed by representative Budget Sub-Meet sub-group

Assessment
- No assessment beyond statement of project outcomes identified in project application
Strategic Priority Funding
Administrative

Shared Governance
- Projects submitted via administrative channels
- Projects prioritized by Administration
- Projects prioritized by Planning Sub-Meet

Transparency
- Common application form

Assessment
- No assessment beyond statement of project outcomes identified in project application
Strategic Priority Funding
Administrative/ Planning Sub-Meet

Shared Governance
  • Projects submitted to Institutional Planning
  • Projects presented to Planning Sub-Meet
  • Projects reviewed and prioritized by Planning Sub-Meet

Transparency
  Common application form developed by Planning Sub-Meet with common review criteria

Assessment
  No assessment beyond statement of project outcomes identified in project application
Strategic Priority Funding
Joint Open Process

Shared Governance
- Entire process reviewed and confirmed by Bargaining Units
- Two-step process introduced

Transparency
- Publicly posted application materials and review criteria
- Publicly posted funding applications at every step of the process

Assessment
- Assessment plan requirement with review by the Assessment and Evaluation Sub-Meet
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# Strategic Priority Initiative Funding

## Strategic Priority Initiative Funding Announced for FY14

The Office of Institutional Research, Planning and Assessment received a total of 27 proposals requesting over $1.4 million in Strategic Priority Funding for expenditure in fiscal year 2014. During the Fall 2012 term the Planning Sub-Meet and Confer reviewed 27 Idea Proposals and recommended that 18 proposals advance to Full Proposals. Earlier this spring, the Planning Sub-Meet and Confer held proposal presentations and reviewed 18 Full Proposals requesting over $800,000 in Strategic Priority Funding.

After a careful read and review of the proposals, as well as the recommendations of the Planning Sub-Meet and Cabinet, President Davenport approved the funding of 7 proposals supported by an allocation of $246,155 in funding. Information regarding each of the projects awarded funding can be found on the University’s web site for Strategic Priority Initiative Funding at [http://www.mnsu.edu/planning/priorities/](http://www.mnsu.edu/planning/priorities/).

Our Strategic Planning Priorities:

- Change the world by collaboratively addressing our planet’s most challenging problems.
- Foster the thriving and robust academic culture of a university with applied doctoral programs.
- Greatly expand the reach of our extended learning programs.
- Reinvigorate our physical home and build the campus of the future.
- Measure and continuously improve our work to ensure excellence in all that we do.

## Proposal Information

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## Proposal Documents Step 1

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SPF Project Assessment Plan

Project Title: Edina STEM Mathematics SEAL (Secondary Education Amplified Licensure) program

Primary Project Contact: Robbie Burnett

Project Abstract (150 words max.):

The Edina STEM Mathematics SEAL program is designed as pathway from high school to community colleges to Minnesota State University, Mankato (MNSU) creating a fiscally manageable program for students residing in the Twin Cities. The initiative has an intentional focus to enroll, support and graduate students from traditionally underrepresented groups into the program. This is a three year accelerated licensure program comprised of existing courses -- strategically packaged using inter-system collaborative curriculums. A weekly two-hour advisory/tutor seminar built into each semester is the signature strategy of the program. In an adjunct professor role, a practicing K-12 math teacher will serve as the Mathematics SEAL Mentor Coach. The mentor coach will facilitate the seminar sessions providing targeted, routine, rigorous and purposeful support for students to; build community within the cohort, receive mentoring and Minnesota Teacher Licensure Examination (MTLE) coaching for wrap around support.

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<th>Project measurable outcome</th>
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<td>1. Our target will be a 50% increase in students from traditionally underrepresented groups enrolled in the STEM Mathematics SEAL program</td>
<td>The # of students enrolled in the program from traditionally underrepresented groups</td>
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<td>The # of participants in the Edina STEM SEAL Mathematics program</td>
<td>Student enrollment, Student participation</td>
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<td>3. 80% of students in the program will score passing rates on the Minnesota Teacher Licensure Examination (MTLE)</td>
<td>Weekly coaching, advising and tutoring sessions, MTLE test prep sessions</td>
<td>MTLE test scores, Number of students who participate in the MTLE test prep sessions</td>
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Next Steps

Shared Governance
• Publicize to the campus community opportunities to engage in proposal presentations

Transparency
• Annual updates on the progress of funded projects
• Showcase of project results

Assessment
• Participant (both funded and unfunded) review of the process
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