



Memorandum

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To: University Community

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Subject: UPIC Appointments and Charge

In February (memo 2/25/2016) I outlined the important future activities of the University Planning and Innovation Council (UPIC) and described a new structure for that advisory group. After consultation with the appropriate shared governance groups I am making the following appointments to the Council:

Brent Blahnik	Craig Sandlin
Regan Gurung	Sara Krouse
Chuck Rybak	Monika Pynaker
Kate Burns	Amanda Wildenberg
Katia Levintova	Student representative
Kris Vespia	

These individuals will serve through the 2016-2017 academic year with the possibility of reappointment depending on willingness to continue serving and after consultation with shared governance. The Provost and the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance will co-Chair the UPIC.

In making these appointments I ask you to recall the original UPIC concept and design outlined in my paper of [September 22, 2014](#): *The UPIC is not intended to be a representative body. Rather, it is expected to operate with the same level of collective institutional view of the Chancellor and the Cabinet. Members of the UPIC will be expected to put aside favored agendas in order to consider the university as a whole.*

The major activity of the UPIC the rest of this semester, through the summer and next year will be to conduct a thorough review of the results of the *Invent the Future* process in the context of our new four college organizational model and initiate a collaborative process with shared governance to revise the current (now expired) university strategic plan. Figure 1 describes the process.

In addition, the UPIC will consider and make recommendations to me and the Cabinet regarding important issues arising. Among those on the docket at the moment are: (a) proposal for a campus child care facility, (b) various proposals for reorganizations, (c) shared services and space reallocation opportunities, (d) institutional funding allocation model.

I deeply appreciate the willingness of this group to dig into the details of various university operations and lend wise advice.

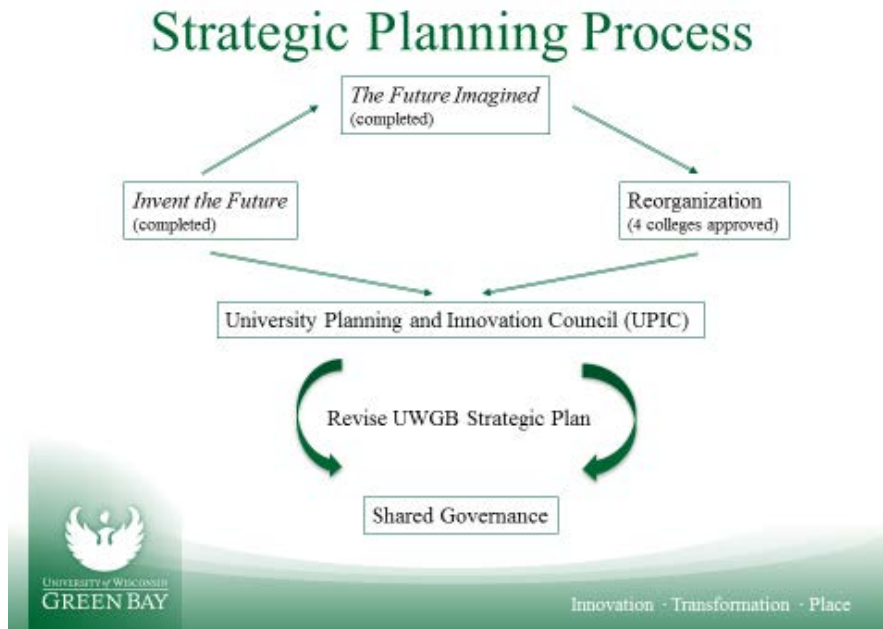


Figure 1. UWGB Strategic Process