Vitalization Work Group 8 Meeting Minutes 04/07/17, 2:00pm 2116 Blair Hall

Members present: Jeffrey Stowell (Chair), Britto Nathan, Amy Rosenstein, Rene Kidd-Marshall, Kelly Miller, and Nora Pat Small.

Dr. Stowell solicited comments on the final workgroup report. Dr. Small suggested to remove the "Sustainable Strength" part in Figure 1, since it simply lists all four colleges. Dr. Rosenstein mentioned that if we fail to state our sustainable strengths then readers might misinterpret the report to suggest changing Eastern to a technical university comprising of health, engineering, and agriculture. After much discussion, the committee agreed to list all four colleges in Figure 1.

Dr. Stowell initiated a discussion on doctoral programs in the report. He mentioned that it would be nice to include bachelor's and/master's programs that feed into doctoral programs. Dr. Kidd-Marshall emphasized the demand for doctoral programs in the job market. The committee decided to mention the doctoral programs, as it is, in the report. However, the committee would like to include a minority view about deleting the doctoral program from the report.

Dr. Small mentioned that the Historical Administration program listed in Signature program section of the report is in hiatus due to retirement and loss of critical faculty. Members discussed the importance of listing CDS as a signature program, given its Autism Center initiative. Following discussion, the committee agreed to list CDS as a Signature Program in the report.

Dr. Rosenstein suggested to add Autism and Educational Assessment in the microdegrees section.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm. Minutes recorded and submitted by Britto Nathan