

MEMORANDUM

TO: NC State faculty, staff and students

FROM: W. Randolph Woodson, Chancellor

SUBJECT: Strategic Planning at NC State

DATE: August 10, 2010

As you prepare for the beginning of the fall semester, I wanted to share some exciting news with you regarding the future of NC State.

As you may have heard, we are preparing to embark on a strategic planning process to determine the path NC State will take over the next 5 to 10 years. NC State is an outstanding institution with a tremendous history and a very exciting future. My goal for this strategic planning process is to develop a shared vision of NC State's future as well as to create a roadmap to guide us to our mutual destination.

I have asked Interim Provost Dr. Warwick Arden and Dr. Margery Overton, chair of the Faculty Senate, to lead our strategic planning process. Some preliminary planning and organization has already taken place this summer to determine how to best approach and organize our efforts so as to offer significant opportunities for input from the NC State community. Shortly, you will receive a communication from Drs. Arden and Overton more fully explaining what has happened to date and how the strategic planning process will unfold over the coming months.

Your voice is critical as we undertake meaningful conversations about the future of NC State, and I look forward to your active participation in the strategic planning process.

cc: Dr. Warwick Arden
Dr. Margery Overton