

**Commission Gustavus 150
Facilities and Finance Task Force**

December 18, 2008
Gustavus Interpretive Center
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Meeting #1 Summary

Introduction and Overview

The meeting began with introductions and an overview of the Commission Gustavus 150 process.

Key Questions Discussion

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- How do we reconcile the needs of all constituents?
- How do we reconcile “lifelong learning” with “residential/liberal arts”?
- What areas affecting F&F will not be addressed by other task forces?
- What are the appropriate targets to benchmark?
- What is our place in the world, particularly as it relates to global citizenship and our broader purpose?
- What is the right balance between traditional academic and non-academic needs?
- How do we use F&F to attract more students?
- How do we use F&F to achieve diversity?
- What is the plan relative to growth of student population generally and specific to the College?
- How do F&F maintain and enhance the academic experience?
- How do F&F help us attract and retain faculty and staff?
- Is there an opportunity to build a distinctive/consistent/appealing theme in the campus? Should we?

Key Constituents Discussion

The group brainstormed regarding the constituents impacted by recommendations of the Task Force.

Overview of Financials – Ken Westphal, vice president for finance, provided an overview of the current financial state.

Overview of Facilities – Warren Wunderlich, director of physical plant, provided an overview of physical plant opportunities and challenges.

Campus Virtual Tour (historical perspective) – Steve Waldhauser, director of publications provided a virtual tour of campus.