2023 Board of Trustees Annual Retreat

Laramie County Community College

Self Evaluation Desired Outcomes





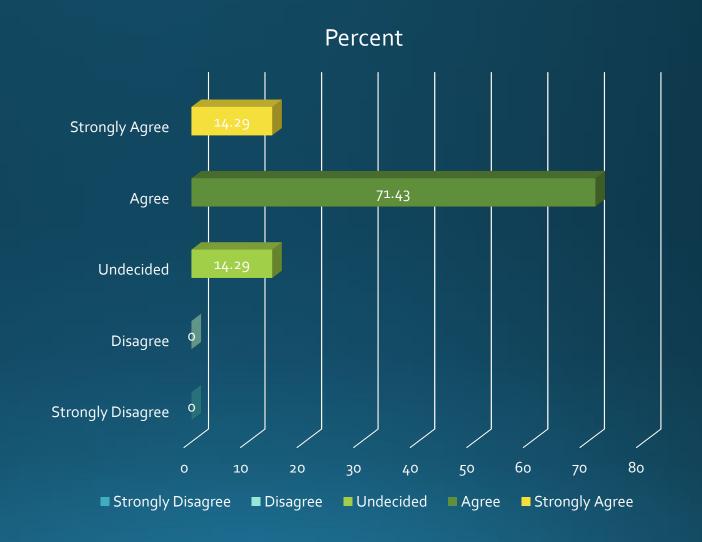


Potential future action

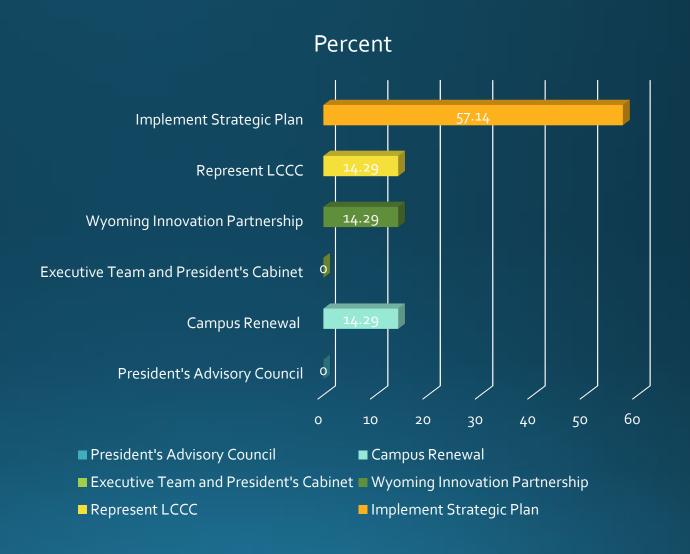


Improve Board operations

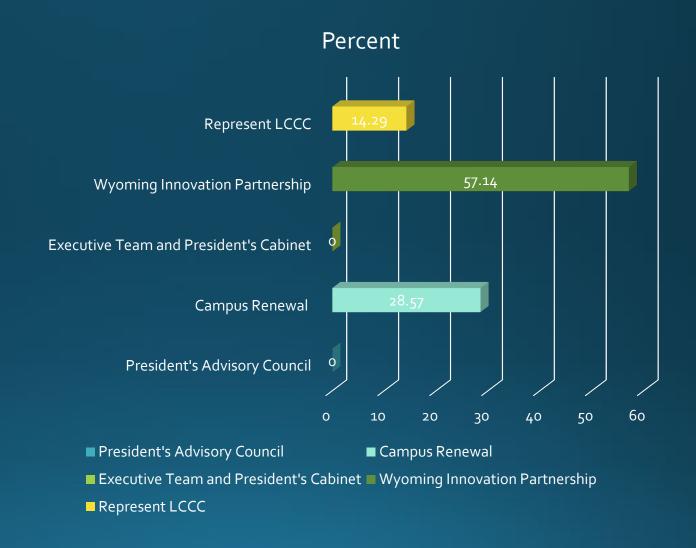
The Board has sufficiently challenged/supported the President to move toward his goals for the College.



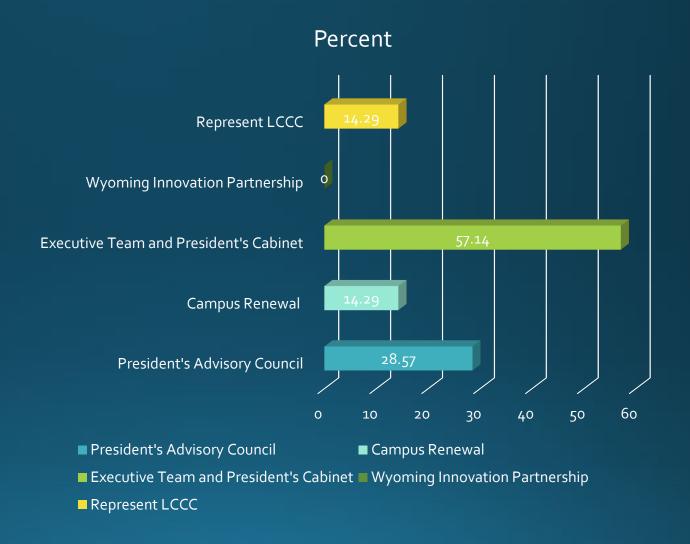
Relative to the stated goals, which goal have the trustees provided the most support toward achievement?



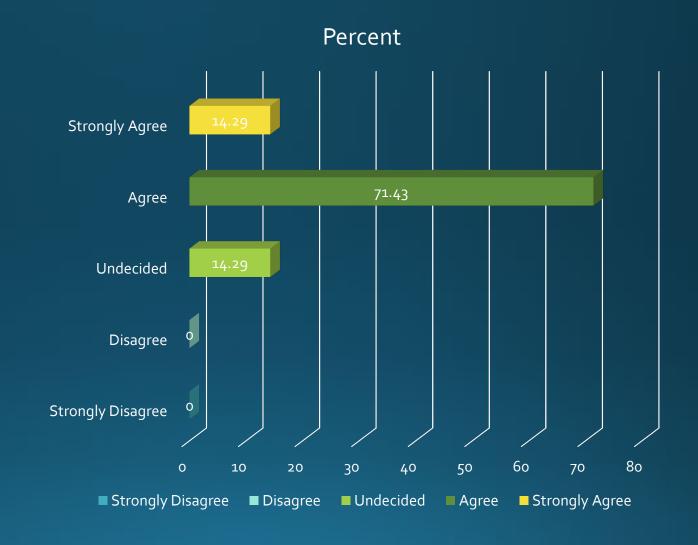
Question #3
Relative to the
President's stated
goals, which is the
second most
supported goal?



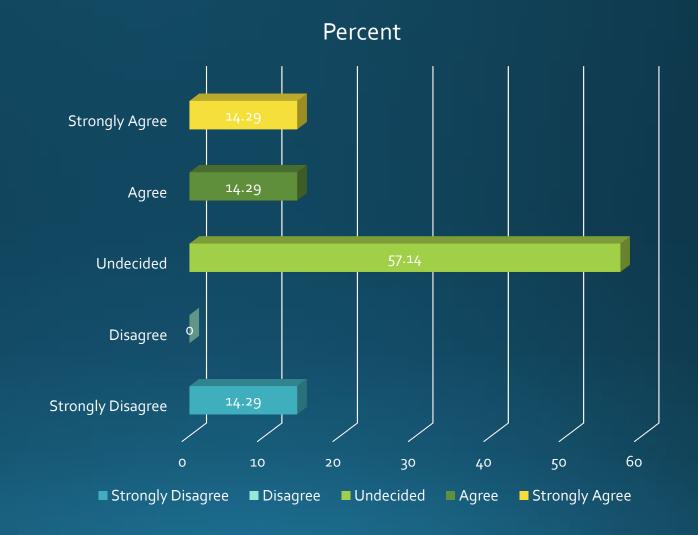
Question #4
Relative to the
President's stated
goals, which is the
LEAST supported
goal?



The Board ensures the President's Goals are clearly aligned with the strategic and operational priorities of the College.



The Board has been prudent with the College's funds for Trustee Education purposes.

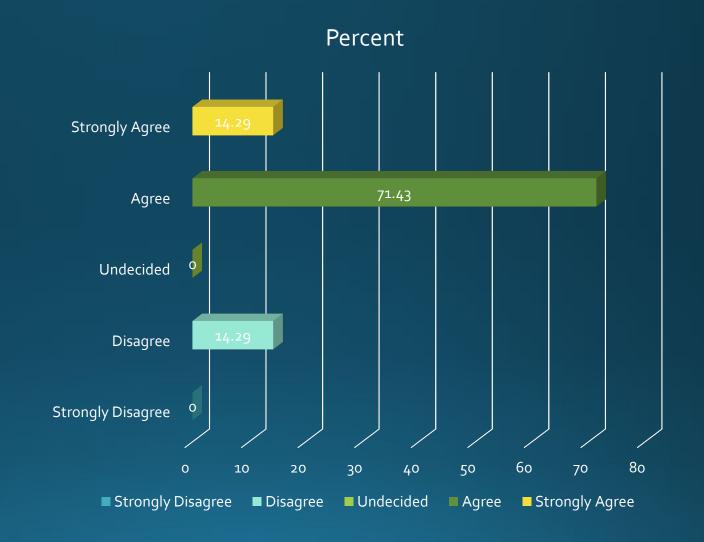


Question #7 – what needs to be addressed for trustee education?

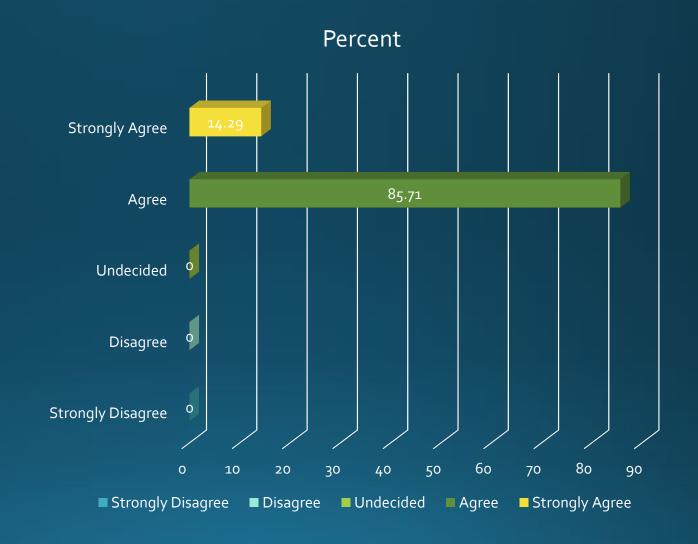
- Focused (monetary) approach for who attends national conferences.
- More state coordination.
- Better LCCC attendance for in-state functions.
- Interact more with other college trustees
- Learn how to interact with "influencers."
- Establish a travel policy and reporting.
- More opportunities to discuss what is learned at conferences and the benefit to LCCC.

- Board policy related to "outreach mechanisms and owner viewpoints and values" may be underwhelming. Is/how is this currently being accomplished?
- Useful to develop a consensus as to the objectives for individual and overall trustee education prior to the FY2024 budget.
- Most resources are used for ACCT. It would be worthwhile to research other opportunities.
- Increase the line item for trustee training in the budget.

Ouestion #8 The Board regularly reviews or receives information about student success and/or outcomes.



Ouestion #9 The Board regularly reviews or receives information about how well the College is performing.



Question #10 – what needs to be addressed for "being informed" about student success/outcomes and institutional effectiveness?

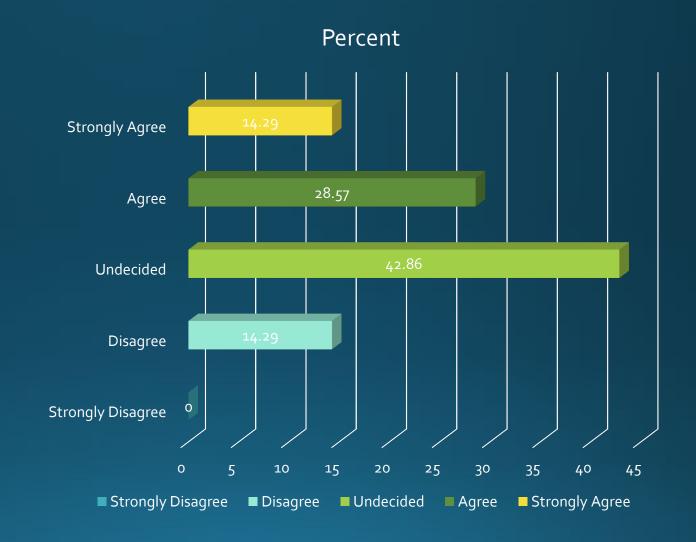
WORKED WELL

- Good work reviewing programs and Pathways.
- Effective changes for services and student success.
- Valuable information provided at Board meetings.
- Appreciate knowing about student outcomes.
- President provides thoughtful and informative reports – especially about major proactive programs/initiatives, retention, persistence, completion, and continuous improvement, and from the Planning & Performance Dept.

NEEDS IMPROVEMENT

- With low enrollment trending downward and life post-pandemic, the Board must give attention to student achievements & outcomes.
- Discuss with the Board and President about if the Board can/should play a larger, more personal role in student success and outcomes.
- Perhaps Board members want/need more information.

The Board advocates college interests to the community (city, county, business...) state agencies and legislators.



Question #12 – Relative to the Board advocating College interests – What have we done well?

- Been visible in organizations.
- Advertised and been present at functions at the College (art, music, graduations, athletics, etc.)
- Cultivating community goodwill.
- Legislative, county commissioners, Governor, etc. support
- Statewide colleges working together (WACCT) and supporting WACCT platform.
- Supporting Dr. Schaffer's roles in the community to educate for the needs of the college based on the needs of the community.

- Inform the community of the College's accomplishments.
- Mixed bag with setting statewide advocacy agenda, yet President very supportive.

Question #13 – Relative to the Board advocating College interests – What could we do better?

- Attend more community functions.
- Host more functions at LCCC.
- Be present!
- Discuss the idea of developing a Board Advocacy Plan.
- Keep doing what we are doing.
- Advocate with more intention from the trustees – we rely too much on Dr.
 Schaffer and WACCT to do this.
- Board's efforts with local legislators is less effective than desired. More discussion about how to get creative with outreach is needed.

- Clone the LCCC trustees to create a Republic of Golden Eagle troopers representing the future of galactic higher education. (OR - Keep up the good work we are all already doing!
- Learn more about how the Board can best serve and implement the 2030 Strategic Plan and bring awareness to the needs of the College, given that we are not a working board and have limitations.

Ouestion #14
What rating would the general public give the Trustees on governance of LCCC?



Question #15 – General public perception of the Board – WHY?

- Disconnect between the Board, the college, what is happening at LCCC, and the public.
- Constituents have not been negative and are always excited to learn about what LCCC is doing.
- The public does not know what the board does, but LCCC does not get bad press.
- Incumbents have been re-elected.
- College is performing well.
- The public is aware of the expectations and needs of the institution.

- The general public might be unaware of what the elected Board does.
- As long as the news is good, so goes the neighborhood chatter.

Question #16
What rating would
LCCC employees give
the Board on
governance of LCCC?



Question #17 – LCCC employee perception of the Board – WHY?

- Some might have specific issues they want to be addressed.
- Some might perceive the Board as having more or greater authority than the governance role defines.
- Climate survey may be useful.
- Gut feeling that this image was once more negative than it is today.
- Many employees see the Board as supportive, dedicated, and engaged.
- Employees seem content.
- Board should discuss what and how we can improve the rating.

Question #18
What rating would
LCCC students give
the Board on
governance?



Question #19 – LCCC student perception of the Board – WHY?

- Have not received negative feedback from students.
- Students feel we are doing our best to support the mission of LCCC by transforming student's lives.
- Most students don't know what or who the Trustees are. Those who attend the meetings would likely give a high rating.
- Don't really know what the students would say about the Board, or are interested, for that matter.
- Students may think the Board has more authority to make their college life "better" than was is reality.