# College Board Retreat October 26, 2020 Agenda

### CALL TO ORDER - Chair of the Board

ROLL CALL - Mariella Abanto

### OPENING STATEMENTS – Chair of the Board

- This is an open, public meeting and has been made available for live viewing by the public through a posted Zoom link;
- Should our broadcast be interrupted, we will be notified, and we will have to pause the meeting; and
- This meeting is being recorded and will be posted for subsequent viewing on the NOVA website.

# 1. Best Practice Partnership Development

A. <u>Panel Presentation: Networking and Making Connections for the College at the Business, Political and Community Level (40 minutes)</u>

Zuzana Steen, Todd Rowley and John Porter

- Who are the types of individuals I should particularly approach to promote NOVA?
- What are the best ways to raise NOVA in a conversation and what should I be prepared to do?
- When is it best to approach people and when should I back off?
- Where should I guide people to better understand NOVA's value?
- *How should I start these conversations and how do I keep their interest?*
- Why is it important to make connections for the benefit of the College?
- Why should businesses care about NOVA?
- B. Network Mapping Activity (15 minutes)

Julie Felgar

Activating Your Network (5 minutes)

Rosie O'Neil

## 2. Approaches to Strategic Messaging

- A. Shifting the Narrative and Amplifying the NOVA Value Proposition (20 minutes)
  - Rosie O'Neil Amplifying the Community College Value Proposition
  - Steve Partridge *Shifting the Narrative NOVA* 's Value

- B. <u>Presentation: Best Practices in College Board Foundation Board Relations</u> (10 minutes)
  - Betheny Reid, (Betheny L. Reid & Associates, LLC affiliated with eAddancement) will provide a short overview on outreach that would support increased institutional fundraising.

## 3. Other Important Aspects of Messaging

A. <u>Dealing with Feedback and Responding to "Intelligence (10 minutes)</u>

Rosie O'Neil and Anne Kress

- What to do when you hear "bad things" from "good people" about NOVA
  and recognizing opportunities for the Foundation.
  Good and Bad examples
- B. NOVA's Strategic Plan in Action (10 minutes)

Tykesha Myrick

• Positioning the College for long-term relationships on Capitol Hill, securing grant support, engaging diverse student ambassadors.

### Dana Kauffman

- Strategic Plan and calendar for outreach, the importance of ongoing communications and the development of "Regional Sheets" to equip Board Members.
- C. <u>Making NOVA Indispensable (10 minutes)</u>

Anne Kress

• What I learned and gained by being at every invited table, participating and staying in touch. What I hope Board Members takeaway from presentations by their fellow Members and staff: You are NOVA's connection to the community!

ADJOURNMENT - Requires a motion and a second