Minutes
MVCV meeting
December 16th, 2016

Attendance: Brett Taylor, Todd Branscome, Taylor Brock, Erin Webster-Garrett, Susan Kwilecki, Skyler Carrell, Deneen Evans, Ken Cox, Margaret McManus, Mick Stewart, Josh Nease, Beth Lyman, Philip Sweet, Jason Davis, Dennis Grady

Davis and Grady convened the meeting at 3:00 pm in the Martin Hall boardroom. The focus of the meeting was to discuss and finalize a draft of the Mission statement, based on those drafts produced and edited by the previous sub-group meetings.

The current working draft was projected on the video screen and edited by Davis during discussion. Discussion focused heavily on the wording of the statement itself with specific concerns given to:

- Use of language indicating plurality and inclusiveness of multiple communities and groups
- Inclusion of not only students and faculty, but also staff and members of the broader Radford community
- Redundancies and unnecessary verbiage

The following statement draft was approved by the committee:

“As a mid-sized, comprehensive, public institution, Radford University empowers students from diverse backgrounds by providing transformative educational experiences within and beyond the classroom. As an inclusive university, we cultivate relationships among students, faculty, staff, alumni, and provide a culture of support and engagement for all members of our community. We embrace innovation and tradition and instill students with purpose and the ability to think creatively and critically. We provide an educational environment where every member of our community is provided the tools to address the social, economic and environmental issues confronting our region, nation and the world.”

It was determined that members of the committee would continue to edit and revise this statement during the winter break and would reconvene on 1/13 at 3pm in order to continue discussion on the Vision statement.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.