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MEMORANDUM

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Strategic Plan Update

Defining terms, specifying the Board's role, ensuring equity, timeline for input and adoption, and discussion

In October 2020, the newly-created Utah Board of Higher Education began embarking on a strategic planning process. At that time, the Board adopted the main priorities of the strategic plan: Access, Affordability, Completion, and Workforce Alignment.

This presentation will provide an update to that process, including:

1. Defining terms used in the strategic plan to ensure common understanding.
2. Examining the four levers of the Board to ensure outcomes of the strategic plan are in areas the Board can best impact. These levers include:
 - a. Policy
 - b. Data
 - c. Funding
 - d. Collaboration/Advocacy
3. Demonstrating how the [Equity Lens Framework](#), adopted by the Board in December 2020, will be integrated into the strategic plan, so that all aspects of the plan are utilizing the equity lens.
4. Proposing a draft timeline for input and adoption, with the goal of having the full Board adopt a final draft of the strategic plan by May 2021.
5. Generating a transparent and robust discussion among Board committee members on the strategic plan draft thus far.

Commissioner's Recommendation

This is an information item only; no action required.

Attachment