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Dear Members of the Connecticut College Community,

As you know, the College has been at work on a new strategic plan that will outline our goals and priorities for the next several years. A very committed Strategic Planning Committee worked through the fall and spring semester with all constituents of the College—students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and trustees—to gain insight into the most salient opportunities that lie before us. In early May, they shared a draft with eight goals and a number of specific objectives in each of three priority areas: supporting a diverse, just, and sustainable college; enhancing academic distinction; and enriching the student experience.

The last phase of the planning process involves creating an action plan that outlines the specific projects or initiatives needed to realize each goal, the timetable for their completion, and their projected cost. This work is being done over the summer by an Implementation/Action Planning Group (IPG) chaired by Rich Madonna, vice president for finance and administration. It includes members of the senior administration, a select number of faculty, and several members from the original strategic planning committee, who provide continuity. Full details regarding the IPG's membership, charge, and timeline are available <u>here</u>.

A near-final version of the complete plan will be ready by the beginning of the Fall 2016 semester, at which time the IPG will hold open forums to review its work with the campus community. The final strategic plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees at its October 2016 meeting.

Thank you for your continued interest and participation in this important planning process.

Yours,

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