

**School of Natural Resources and the Environment
Executive Committee- Strategic Planning Committee Minutes
Friday October 11, 2019, ENR2 N450**

Attendees: J. Koprowski, S. Marsh, R. Gallery, B. Steidl, S. Archer, G. Garfin, L. Howery, D. Moore, D. Breshears, K. Hughes, B. Krogsgaard, S. Washko, L. Fera

1) Approval of previous meeting's minutes

2) Director's Report and Discussion

- Next SPC meeting - next Friday October 18th
- University Budget update – Adjustments due to UCAP budgeting, SNRE is one of the two units that has grown more than necessary in the last 5 years, grew >30%. Possibly changing RCM model, similar to the College of Engineering, where it comes to the units directly. Some colleges have complete hiring freezes currently, ALVSCE does not currently have one.

3) New Business

- Proactive in getting positions – SPFI. Spousal hire – unable to fully support spousal hire with limited resources.
- Early learning center –daycare at the university for faculty, staff and students as well as a research opportunity, a few years out, College of Education would possibly invest.
- Renovations and new space? BSE, Forbes and Shantz are the three ALVSCE buildings on the list for renovations. In December, they are going to ask for funds. Asked to think about different ways of consolidating space. Environmental Science possibly asking about space in BSE, asked if SNRE would vacate BSE and move into Shantz. Shantz is more traditional lab space, expensive to install hoods. Space tax is increasing, downsizing has possible advantages. Possibly using it as shared lab and teaching space. Grad student lounge space is a priority for grad students.