

“Major Issues Document”

**CROP AND SOIL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT FACULTY
PLANNING SESSION**

Key Issues (Summary)

March 19-20, 2003

Develop a Plan – Goals and Agreements

- 32 Workable plan not just talk
- 2 Identify common goals – support achievements
- 16 Develop a plan
- 3 Identify needs/goals that all can agree on
- 10 Identify main issues (present and potential problems that our department can solve
Be visionary
- 3 Develop a better understanding of our Department and the direction in which we are headed
- 3 Success measured by defining the problems in this meeting.
What are our strengths and weaknesses, faculty, facilities and resources?
- 25 One department/one location
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Adequate funding
More/equal credit for teaching

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Build and Maintain a Strong Department

- 22 Understand that we all benefit from a strong department
- 41 Appreciate roles of faculty, locations and centers in creating a strong department
- 25 One department/one location
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Mandatory Faculty Retreat with Presentations

55 Mandatory faculty retreat with presentations

Diversity – build on as a key strength

10 Make our diversity a point of strength rather than view it as a weakness

19 Get to know one another and understand the roles we play
Develop common goals and enhance communications between locations/areas

1 Develop plan defining why our diversity is a strength so future department head
will understand the elements of our mission

3 Develop a better understanding of our Department and the direction in which we
are headed

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