**Student Success Cornerstone of the Strategic Plan**

**Board Update**

**September 3, 2015**

**Status update:** Provost Abraham has reconstituted the student success cornerstone committee with a specific agenda to evaluate the academic advising structure at YSU. The current vacancies, combined with the decision to invest in more advising staff, provides us with a unique opportunity to determine a structure that will work exceptionally well for YSU.

**Goals of the committee:**

1. Offer the best Academic Advising experience to all students at all levels of their studies at YSU, and
2. Assure a cohesive and efficient student service system between Academic Advising, Career Services, and the Center for Student Progress.

**Leadership:** Dr. Tammy King and Dr. Mike Reagle will serve as co-chairs

**Membership:** Sue Miller – YACADA President Julie Felix – Acad. Advisor, CLASS

Becky Varian – Director, CSP Dr. Mona Bahl – WCBA

Dr. Patrick Spearman – BCOE Dr. Heather Lorimer – STEM

Dr. Adam Earnheardt – CCAC Christina Hardy – Career Services

Jacob Schriner-Briggs – Student

**Context:** This analysis fits into the YSU 2020 strategic plan, under the student success cornerstone.  Specifically, it addresses issues under three of the themes:

1. Academic Achievement
   1. Exceptional academic advising and student-progress support systems (align advising systems)
   2. Collaboration between Academic and Student Affairs
2. Student Satisfaction with Academic and Non-Academic Experiences
   1. Satisfaction with academic experiences related to advising
3. Readiness for Post-College Success
   1. Preparation for work

**Timeline:** Recommendation from the committee to the Provost prior to Thanksgiving.