## UNE Community Email January 16, 2018

Dear UNE Community,

We are moving into an exciting time with strategic planning for UNE and would like to ask for your participation. On Monday, January 22 in Biddeford and on Tuesday, January 23 in Portland we will be hosting a series of meetings and open sessions. Our consultants, John Braunstein and Nicola Blake, would like to gain your insights as we consider the framework of a strategic plan.

**Biddeford Faculty Open Session** January 22, 10 a.m.

Ross Conference Room, Stella Maris (BC)

Biddeford & Portland Staff Open Session January 22, Noon

Ross Conference Room, Stella Maris (BC)

Hersey 204 (PC)

**Biddeford Students Open Session** January 22, 2 p.m.

Ross Conference Room, Stella Maris (BC)

Portland Faculty Open Session January 23, 10 a.m.

Alumni 107 (PC)

**Portland Student Open Session** January 23, 2 p.m.

Alumni 107 (PC)

All of you made the Presidential Search and the NEASC Comprehensive Evaluation a success by providing timely input to guide the process and the result. Through these efforts and President Herbert's Listening Tour, we have confirmed that UNE is a place that values an open process and welcomes contributions.

In addition to the sessions planned for next week, we will have opportunities for meetings in March and again later in the Spring, so there will be ample opportunity to provide your guidance and ideas. In the meantime, you will see an email link on the website <a href="http://www.une.edu/president/strategicplan">http://www.une.edu/president/strategicplan</a> where you are encouraged to provide suggestions at any time. Every idea will be cataloged, considered, and reviewed by the Strategic Planning Coordinating Committee. Please consider these questions in the open sessions and in your email communication as a place to start.

- · What are the most important issues and opportunities facing UNE
- · What are UNE's greatest strengths?
- · What vulnerabilities does UNE face –both internal factors, as well as challenges from the external environment?
- · What big, audacious ideas would you like to see the University stake out as part of its vision for the future?

Thank you in advance for your participation on behalf of the Strategic Planning Coordinating Committee! Sincerely,

Ellen Beaulieu, Chair