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William Jewell plans study of Greek system

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A new initiative to develop a strategic plan for William Jewell College's Greek system is underway at the liberal arts college in Liberty, Mo.

"Greeks play a significant role in campus life at Jewell, with one-third of the student body participating in seven fraternities and sororities," said Dean of Students Rick Winslow. "The goal of the strategic plan is to ensure the long-term existence of a strong, positive Greek experience for Jewell students."

Dr. Don DiPaolo, Chair of the Education Department in the College of Liberal Arts and Education at the University of Detroit-Mercy and General Fraternity Vice President on the Board of Directors at Beta Theta Pi Fraternity, will facilitate the strategic planning initiative at Jewell. The process will bring together student officers and alumni advisors from each Greek organization, college administration and faculty and members of the Liberty community. Jewell's president Dr. David Sallee will participate in the process.

While the leadership of individual fraternities and sororities establish short-term goals and objectives for their respective organizations, Winslow said that the need exists for an intentional, long-range plan that will provide direction for the entire Greek community.

The process of developing the three-year plan is scheduled to begin with the appointment of a 24-person Greek Strategic Planning Committee. During the month of March, the committee will develop a mission and vision for the Jewell Greek community and outline the strategic plan's goals and objectives, action steps and timeline.

A Strategic Plan Implementation Committee will be appointed in April to begin execution of the plan. The process will conclude with an assessment and evaluation phase that will provide direction beyond the three-year plan.

Information about the on-going development of the Greek Strategic Plan can be found on-line in the Campus Life section of the Jewell website at <http://www.jewell.edu/>. Questions regarding the Greek Strategic Plan process should be directed to Winslow at 816-415-5963.