STRATEGIC PLANNING AND INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS 2011-2012 Unit Action Plan – Year Two

Unit Name: Innovation Center

Unit Mission

The Innovation Center promotes economic development in northeast Oklahoma by facilitating the creation of new businesses and by enhancing the productivity of current businesses through competitive business intelligence and workforce training. The Center provides a range of services including entrepreneurship training, business counseling, financial assistance, and a technology incubator for the start-up business as well as demographic research and analysis of complex markets and competition for existing businesses.

Goal (insert number): (Insert name of goal)
This *Unit Action Plan* Specifically Supports Commitment(s) ____6__.

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Objective	Evaluation Measure	Performance Standard	Action	Data/Findings	Status
Expand collaborations and partnerships with business and industry as well as regional schools and community organizations	 Enhance community partnerships Provide quality business assistance program 	75% of clients will rank counseling	 Seek partners for workshops Nominate Recipient of Partnership Recognition Award Recruit 5 new business clients Conduct surveys 	 Center, IRS, Cherokee Nation, Claremore Chamber of Commerce, and Rural Enterprises, Inc. (REI . The Center collaborated with at least one partner on 15 of the 24 workshops planned for this fiscal year The Center nominated the Chapman Foundation as the recipient of the partnership recognition award 	Complete In progress Complete Complete
	business assistance	• 75% of clients will	Conduct surveys	89% of clients surveyed reported at or above satisfactory	

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		Enhance Business Intelligence Assistance	 Identify potential clients and provide GIS services to at least 8. 	The Center provided GIS services on 17 different projects to clients including: Amish Crafted Furniture, AST, Camp Courage USA, Fire Towers USA, Lucas Metal Works, Pace Cutters Lawn Care, Parks Custom Cabinets, The Driven Design	Complete
6.4 Establish community engagement partnerships that vary in scale and formality, including defined goals, high-quality content and desired outcomes	 Communities engaged in the Entrepreneur Ready Community Certification program Partnerships with Cherokee Nation, NTC, CIEDA, & RCIDA Communities and RSU engaged in regional stewardship activities 	start the process of becoming a certified Entrepreneur Ready community	 Publicize ERC Certification Conduct community presentations Recruit participating communities Assist in establishment of entrepreneur support systems Host MPM meetings and the 2011 NEOK Regional Summit 	 Held Economic Gardening conference/62 attendees/most NEOK communities represented at conference The Center staff conducted 9 ERC presentations to various groups in Claremore, Adair, Inola, Verdigris, Catoosa and Nowata Claremore started the ERC certification process in August, 2011 and is about 1/2 away from completion Verdigris and Nowata adopted a resolution to start the ERC Certification process in April, 2012 Continuing to work with Grand Gateway to identify communities best prepared to start the certification process Establishment of entrepreneur support systems will take place after a community commits to the certification program. Center staff is assisting Claremore in establishing entrepreneur support systems In the quarterly MPM meetings, the Center hosted representatives from 10 communities including: Claremore, Pryor, Vinita, Big Cabin, Bartlesville, Tahlequah, Muskogee, Miami, Nowata and Tulsa Hosted the 2011 NEOK Regional Summit 	In progress In progress In progress In progress In progress Complete
6.5 Increase opportunities for area residents to participate in	Workshops offeredParticipation in workshops	workshops	 Coordinate and conduct workshops and training events Promote business 	Conducted 15 workshops & 9 more are scheduled for this fiscal year	In progress Completed
educational, cultural and recreational activities	Workshops	participants at workshops will exceed 12	workshops	partners 222 attendees to date excluding those that attended the EG conference (Average of 15 attendees/workshop)	In progress

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		75% of evaluations will rank workshop as satisfactory	Survey participants	Of those surveyed, 71% of attendees rated workshops as "very satisfied" while 29% rated "satisfied"	Complete
			Maintain business resource page on website	The business resource page is complete and additional resources will be added as necessary	Complete
	Conferences hosted	Host 1 state or regional conferences	Host economic gardening conference	Hosted Economic Gardening conference on November 16, 2011	Complete
	Provide economic and demographic data	Monthly public reports	Produce and post Economic Indicators on website	Economic indicators for June 2011 – February 2012 have been published	In progress
	New educational activity for entrepreneurial students	Have at least one student enterprise in the incubator	Implement student run enterprise & incubation program	The Center has enrolled 2 students in the Student Enterprise Program. Both students developed business plans in which incubation in the Center's space wasn't appropriate so the space has gone unused thus far.	In progress
6.6 Establish an institutional structure to promote community engagement and regional stewardship	 Coordination of RSU MPM regional stewardship effort Coordination of RSU MPM with NE OK Regional Plan and action teams 	 MPM steering committee meets quarterly At least 2 members of RSU steering committee participate on each regional team 	 Meet and coordinate MPM activities with NSU & NEO Host and facilitate the MPM regional stewardship campaign 	 The MPM steering committee has continued to meet quarterly at the RSU Centennial Center. The fall meeting was cancelled due to the NEOK Regional Summit Conference 9 University personnel continue to play an active role in the campaign by facilitating and hosting meetings and serving on action teams to implement the regional plan 	In progress In progress

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		Encourage formation of internal Regional Stewardship committee	Play an active role in the implementation of the regional action plan	Internal Regional Stewardship Committee was determined to be low priority given lack of resources from the State and the OSRHE	Pending state support