November 2011 Club/Organization Training:

# Goal Setting and Strategic Planning

## Why Set Goals?

- Set a direction
- Focuses work
- Creates purpose for members
- Allows you to recognize significant accomplishments

### **SMART Goals**

#### Goals should be SMART:

- Specific
- Measurable
- Attainable
- Realistic
- Timely

### Specific

Focus your goal (Who? What? Where? When? Why?)

Not Specific: "We will hold programs this semester."

Specific: "We will hold programs this semester that <u>raise awareness about physical disabilities</u>."

#### Measurable

 Assess how close you are to reaching your goal and confirm when you've reached it

Not Measurable: "We will do a fundraiser."

Measurable: "We will raise <u>\$1,500</u> through fundraising activities."

#### **Attainable**

Can you reach your goal?

Not Attainable: "We will advocate for all students to gain work study."

Attainable: "We will advocate for more work study positions on campus."

#### Realistic

You must be able and willing to accomplish your goal

Not Realistic: "We will not drink water for three weeks to raise awareness on the need for clean water in third-world countries."

Realistic: "We will <u>research and raise money</u> for a non-profit organization which increases the availability of clean water in third-world countries."

# Timely

Amount of time given to complete the goal

Not Timely: "We will revise our constitution."

Timely: "We will revise our constitution <u>by</u> the end of the semester."

### SMART Goal Example

"We will plan and put on two social and two educational programs this semester."

Specific? Yes – Social and educational programs

Measurable? Yes – Four programs

Attainable? Yes - Roughly one program per month

Realistic? Yes – The programs reflect the purpose of the organization

Timely? Yes – The end of the semester is your time limit

# Activity

Write a SMART Goal for your group...

# Strategic Planning

- Examines where you are and where you are going
- Raises awareness of:
  - Steps needed to attain goal
  - Obstacles in attaining goal
  - Resources to help reach your goal
- Helps you stay on track
- Fill in your Strategic Plan

### Tips on Reaching Goals

- Bring a list of your goals to each meeting
- Include input from many if not all group members
- Discuss about how your weekly business helps you reach those goals
- Make your goals relevant to your organization
- Celebrate both the end goal and the "Small Wins" along the way

## A Few Updates/Reminders

- Reimbursements
- Club/Org of the Month
- Club/Org Awards
- Event Surveys
- Feb. Leadership Retreat 2/25
- Leadership Class Wed. 7-9:30PM
  - E-mail rmack0710@curry.edu

#### Reece Painter

- Evening and Weekend Program Coordinator
- Hours:
  - M: 4PM Midnight
  - TH: 3PM Midnight
  - F: 5PM 1AM
  - SAT: 5PM 1AM
  - SUN: 5PM Midnight
- Help with Programming in Student Center (\$?)
- rpainter0811@curry.edu

## **Questions?**

#### Contact

Mike Giacalone Coordinator of Programs, Clubs, and Organizations

mgiacalo0811@curry.edu

Mon - Sat 12-8