



**Interim Report from Infrastructure Task Force
Prepared for: March 12-13, 2015 Board of Governors Retreat**

March Meeting (Thurs. March 5, 2015 from 10:30 to noon):

- Panel discussion about environmental issues and opportunities
- Discussion of the Student Life aspects of facilities
- Divide into smaller working groups to begin drafting paragraphs about the facets we have been examining (facilities, environmental sustainability, information technology, and generational characteristics)

“Ten IT Trends for 2015” Presentation by Susan Grajek, Vice President Data, Research and Analytics at EDUCAUSE, from 1 to 2 p.m. on March 17 in Ellis Hall, Room 226.

April Meeting (date and time TBD):

- Panel discussion about information technology trends and opportunities
- Discuss first drafts of the facets we have been examining

Recently Released Key Documents to Read and Discuss:

- EDUCAUSE’s Top Ten IT Issues, 2015: Inflection Points (released Jan. 12):
<http://www.educause.edu/ero/article/top-10-it-issues-2015-inflection-point>
- New Media Consortium’s 2015 Horizon Report: Higher Ed. (released Feb. 11):
<http://www.nmc.org/news/nmc-horizon-report-2015-hied-edition/>

Discussion Questions

How important is sustainability as compared to our other priorities? How do we make financial decisions about infrastructure projects when more-sustainable alternatives are more expensive?

How important is information technology infrastructure as compared to our other priorities?