

LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

10/2/2019 9:00 AM | Meeting called to order by Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

Dr. Paul Coreil, Dr. John Rowan, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Dr. Abbey Bain, Deron Thaxton, Melinda Anderson, Shelly Gill, Adam Jonson, Sarah Black, Chancey Slider

Guests:

Mary Maloney, Executive Director of CCS Fundraising Shere' Thaxton, LSUA Alumni Relations & Event Coordinator Assistant

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Chancellor's Updates:

- Today's meeting will be a shorter one due to a meeting with some LSUA Foundation Board members taking place this morning to discuss the Capital Campaign.
- The Cabinet discussed potential naming opportunities for buildings, meeting rooms, trees, benches, etc. to recognize donors for the new Student Services Building, as well as other buildings and departments on campus.
- Willing to ask the Commissioner of Higher Education (BOR) for assistance with admissions policies to better impact LSUA students.

Reports

Deron Thaxton

- Revenue is currently even with where we were at this time last year, which is good considering Summer 2 revenue was not included at this point last fiscal year. We will continue to closely monitor revenue.
- A change has been made to the FSLA law concerning overtime for non-classified salaried employees who make less than \$35,568.00 per year. Beginning in January, 2020, these employees will now be able to receive overtime pay for working over 40 hours per week. This could heavily impact recruiters and coaches, but we are waiting to get more information. A meeting will take place in late October in Baton Rouge to clarify this change and its impact.
- The Louisiana Governor's Office recently sent us a letter stating that the Governor is committed to making sure we receive funding for the Drainage Project. The federal dollars should be available in Spring, 2020. Dr. Coreil and I recently met with representation from LSU Facility Services, LSUA Facility Services, and the Board of Regents to discuss getting the project started.

 We will begin the budget process for the next fiscal year much earlier this year than in previous years.

Abbey Bain

- The Testing Center recently became NCTA certified. We are the only testing center in the state of Louisiana to ever receive this certification. Thanks to Katie Cooley, Catherine Kent, and the Testing Center staff for making this happen.
- Gearing up for the registration coming up soon, doing more outreach to co-requisite students, and Advisors have been in the classrooms recently to share support services.
- Fall Break is coming up at the end of this week.

Melinda Anderson

- A huge thanks to Mary Maloney, the Foundation staff, and all of the individuals who have been assisting with the Capital Campaign. Invitations have been sent out and follow up electronic reminders will be going out soon. We are also currently working on personalized proposals for potential donors.
- Mary Maloney advised the Cabinet on many of the details and expectations for the event.
- The Capital Campaign event will take place on LSUA's campus on the evening of October 17th and is invite/RSVP only. LSUA volunteers will be meeting this afternoon to discuss planning and expectations. Thanks to Ethan Lipsey for leading the volunteer group. A video is currently in development to be shown at the event. We plan to have a model of the building and a huge construction vehicle spotlighted on the site for the new building. There will be a wonderful performance given by Octavia and a firework show to conclude the evening. No media will be present at the event. An ad will run in the Town Talk Newspaper on the Friday, Sunday, and Wednesday following the event to highlight our Fierce for LSUA Campaign. We plan to spotlight Dr. Haywood Joiner in the ad.
- The Cabinet discussed potential naming of the building, meeting rooms, benches, trees, donor bricks, and the possibility of having a donor wall to recognize the many donors who have contributed to the new Student Services Building. The public launch is expected to take place in Fall, 2020.

Shere' Thaxton

 LSUA Giving Day was a huge success yesterday. We raised over \$13,500 and one donor contributed \$10,000 to the General's Pantry. Thanks to all of the volunteers and donors who made it possible.

Adam Jonson

■ The GAA Donor Dinner hosted at Robbie G's last night went very well. Over sixteen donors were able to contribute about \$15,000. We will be sending out thank you letters and pledge cards to those who attended, as well as to those who were invited to the event, but were not able to attend. Thank you to all of the individuals who participated including Dr. Coreil, student athletes, and faculty and staff members. It was a fantastic event!

Shelly Gill

• I reached out to the Board of Regents to discuss admissions policies concerning students who need two or more co-requisite courses. We are hoping to receive some clarification on the policy soon. Dr. Coreil mentioned that he is willing to reach out to Commissioner Kim Hunter Reed in regards to finding the best solution for our students. I will continue to have conversations with Dr. Rowan and Dr. Halpin concerning this matter.

Eamon Halpin

- Working with Dr. Hal Langford on a degree proposal for a Bachelor of Applied Science in Arts and Sciences. This would be a completer degree that would allow students who have already earned an associate's degree in a technical field to complete the remaining hours to receive a bachelor's degree.
- Continuing to work with Shelly Gill, Nina Cox, and Jerri Weston on the 2 + 2 program for English majors enrolled at QFNU, China. Dr. Karen Denby, the Interim Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research & Academic Affairs for the Louisiana Board of Regents has agreed to waive part of the transfer admission requirements for Chinese students who wish to participate in the program. We will be able to grant these students some math credit based on their score on the Chinese College Entrance Exam. These students will be on an F Visa, which means they will be paying full out of state tuition. We are very excited about this opportunity and look forward to hosting the President of QuFu Normal University and his team for an overnight visit on October 30th.
- Traveling to the Texas Renaissance Festival with about 55 LSUA students, faculty, and staff members on November 2nd. Tickets are currently on sale at Auxiliary Services.
- A fundraiser event, Dinner with an Artist, will be held at the Alexandria Museum of Art on the evening of Saturday, October 5th. Tickets are on sale through the museum and are \$75.

John Rowan

- The Cabinet reviewed and approved the suggested changes to the current administrative committees.
- Thanks to Dr. Halpin for working closely with RoyOMartin over the last several years to get support for our programs.

Respectfully submitted by Chancey Slider

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, at 9:00 AM