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LSUA Chancellor's Cabinet

10/20/2021 9:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

Dr. Paul Coreil, Connie Cooper, Melinda Anderson, Jennifer Innerarity, Adam Lord, Deron Thaxton, Abbey Bail, Tyler Unsicker, Chad Gauthier, Jennifer Parish, Dr. John Rowan, Melissa Parks, Shelly Gill, Kevin Vercher, Missy Laborde

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CHANCELLOR'S UPDATES:

- On November 2nd, invited legislative delegates and guests of the Chancellor will attend the Rotary Club meeting at which President Tate will be speaking.
- Tomorrow will be the Recruitment Retreat at the Wesley Center. New recruitment strategies will be discussed, adopted and implemented.
- Our new Tank mascot is ready to do business. Please book with Caleb Funderburk in order to have Tank attend your events.
- On November 9th there will be a redistricting meeting on campus. We will need to help attendees with parking and the location of the meeting using ambassadors and our police officers. Community leaders, legislators, congressional staff and citizens will be present.
- Campus Capital Campaign Kickoff is October 27, 2021. All employees will be encouraged to contribute to the campaign and help us reach our goal. We hope to have the campaign completed by the end of the year.
- We will try to consolidate mandatory trainings such as DEI and Safety to make them more accessible to faculty and staff. We need to be 100% compliant with all of these required trainings including ethics, Title IX, Cybersecurity, DEI and Safety.
- A police substation will be opening in the Student Center. Stay tuned for details.
- The Foundation President job has been posted for a week and so far, we have one applicant. Please share this job announcement to qualified candidates across the state and the nation.
- We received a draft job description for the Vice President, LSU Online and Continuing Education position. We will review it and see if we need to add anything. Additionally, an LSUA representative will be included on the search committee.
- Remember to keep Chief Collins in your thoughts and prayers as he is having some health concerns.
- We agreed to ask Strategic Communications to further promote student and faculty/staff vaccine/opt-out response requirements. Several reminders will be sent out next week.

- We received a letter from Attorney General requesting all vaccine/testing correspondence we have sent out over the past several months. We are following the Board of Supervisors authorizations requiring vaccination and/or opt out confirmation from all students and employees effective this spring 2022. We are requiring periodic COVID testing if opt-out option is selected. We will submit our protocols to Attorney General by October 27th.
- Pfizer/Moderna boosters available now for all students and employees.

Dr. John Rowan

- Having discussions with Frank Neubrander at LSU about expansion of online dual enrollment courses. We will start next Fall with dual enrollment offerings in the College of Business and the College of Natural Sciences and Math. We could see increased enrollment of dual enrollment students especially if more of our colleges participate. Continuing to work with UA Country Day, offering freshmen two dual enrollment courses and sophomores four dual enrollment courses.
- The meeting Dr. Coreil and I had with LSU Interim Provost Matt Lee went well. We talked about LSU Online, International Student recruitment, and President Tate's strategic vision. In the near future, LSU will begin advertising for a permanent replacement for Sasha Thackaberry, former Vice President, LSU Online and Continuing Education.
- President Tate will be in town on November 2nd to speak at Rotary.
- We are looking to add faculty for January Kinesiology/Sports Management, Allied Health, and Chemistry.
Eamon Halpin's mother's funeral is tomorrow, October 21. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts.

Deron Thaxton

- Drainage Project is moving along. Closure of Myrick/Grady Britt memo was sent out yesterday. I will continue to send out updates.
- 3rd round of CARES Act payment notices went out to students last week. Payments totaling \$3.6 million were posted Friday and Monday of this week. Systemwide, just over 700,000 students selected to use money for outstanding balance.
- Spring registration begins Monday.
- COVID requirements are prompting registration holds on all students prior to Monday. Holds will be removed after students meet requirements.
- No change on financial updates since the All-Campus meeting last week
- State has \$1 billion surplus which could be used for one-time projects that are already on the books such as the Student Success Center.
- We sent CARES information to 3,200 students, and within 48 hours we had 2800 responses.
- When 3,100 COVID emails were sent, we had 341 responses. Both emails and texts have been sent to students.

Dr. Abbey Bain

- Student Engagement is down one advisor for Allied Health and Nursing. They are currently looking for applicants. Haley Bryant will advise ALLH while Georgia Fox is advising the BSN students while we are in transition.
- Daniel submitted Title IX report for October. Part-time and adjuncts need to do training so please encourage your employees to do so before end of year.
- Recruitment retreat at the Wesley Center is scheduled for tomorrow.
- Advising dashboard is going well and we are working with the Deans on any adjustments or questions.
- Next week is Trick or Treat Street; parking will be in lot 1 and check-in will be near Chambers. The entry fee is \$5. It will be held on the Quad instead of in the streets this year due to construction.
- Students are now required to upload COVID vaccination cards or opt-out through MyLSUA. It has to be done or approved before registering. The approval process should be fast so that students can register without delay.
- November 8th Next Gen Day event and luncheon will be held on November 8th. First Gen faculty/staff are encouraged to meet with students.
- Veterans Day programming is in progress.
- Midday Madness is upcoming on Nov. 1.
- Mid-term grades should be posted today by 4:30 p.m.
- Michael, Director of Residential Life, is out due to the birth of their baby last week. I am taking care of The Oaks in his absence.

Connie Cooper

- Diversity 101 Workshop will be offered Nov. 18th in two sessions (11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.) in Coughlin Auditorium. The content for both sessions is the same. Registration is available now. While the goal is to offer sessions in Spring and Summer 2022, all full-time faculty and staff are encouraged to attend a session sooner rather than later.
- DEI Leadership Team was appointed by Dr. Coreil. The DEILT will have a briefing in October and convene officially in November. The DEI internal assessment will begin Nov. 1st. Connie Cooper will be reaching out to campus leaders to discuss expectations for the internal assessment. The Office of DEI is partnering with CORE to develop a cultural competency badge for students. Focus areas are: LGBTQ+/Gender Pronouns, Unconscious Bias/Language Barriers, How to Be a Global Citizen, and Microaggression.

Shelly Gill

- Recruitment Retreat is tomorrow.
- Welcome to Megan Ducote who started yesterday as our Dual Enrollment Coordinator. We have also selected our Online Admission Counselor. Interviews will take place Friday to replace Caleb.
- Recruiting Season is in full swing. We are continuing to plan "Spend the Day at A."
- We are still working on issues with Reach CRM and Power Campus. If you notice any issues, please let me know.

- Melinda and I met with Marvinette Holly from the City of Alexandria. The College Ready Expo was not well attended last year. We agree that it needs to be held in the Fall. Also, having it at the Youth and Teen Center at night is not ideal. On November 20th, we will host College Ready Expo Family Fun Day on Big Island (City Park). We are working with CLTCC and LC and will have people available to help with FAFSA at the Youth and Teen Center.
- We are working with City of Alexandria for ACT prep sessions. We are working to provide more academic prep courses at a local high school (TBD).
Mulder Scholarship is now open. Only first-time freshmen are eligible. Students may apply online, but we need to work with Strategic Communications to make the link more visible. International recruiting agency information was sent to Cabinet members yesterday. This agency is based out of S. Africa and the school year ends in December. Therefore, the recruiting company needs to get us connected to prospective students by the first week of November. They have 64 families interested in LSUA. In the past we have had several MOU signed for 10% tuition collected. Most institutions pay 15-20% for them to recruit students. We need feedback from Cabinet members as we are open to suggestions.

Chad Gauthier

- National Guard did almost 50 COVID vaccines yesterday. The majority were first time vaccinations for students. The timing with release of vaccine mandate email helped with participation. National Guard will be there today until 3:00.
- The numbers are looking good for COVID. Yesterday we dipped below 400 in LA hospitalizations with COVID. The last time we had those numbers was July 8, 2021.
- Scott Collie was the faculty/staff winner for *VaxThatA* Campaign.
- We will have ORM audit next Tuesday.
- Vaccination requirement went out to faculty/staff/students. Working with Michelle on vaccination card approvals For issues, please contact me.
- Let me know if anyone is having any trouble with registration.
- Tropics look great with no storms on the horizon.
- Pfizer/Moderna boosters available now.

Adam Lord

- Working on adding new signage to doors, windows, and billboards about ongoing construction. We will also update progress of construction online.
- We are working on the contract through LSU to service all stationery and letterhead needs. There will be an online storefront through Workday. Faculty need to check with Chase in Strategic Communication about purchasing business cards once they receive approval from their department supervisor.
- We bought an ad package through the Advocate and banner ads are running on the Advocate websites.

On official LSUA accounts, please tag locations as Alexandria, La. rather than LSUA.

Melinda Anderson

- We are continuing to promote partnership with the city of Alexandria.
- Robotics State Competition will be held at LSUA in Spring at the Evacuation Center.
- We are working with Laura, Sheila and others for the November 9th Redistricting Caucus meeting that will be held on our campus.
- There may be a legislative luncheon in early January that we will co-host with LSU.
- Women in Business Luncheon will be held on Friday, October 22nd. Dr. Dupont and Evelyn Jones (SBDC) will be speakers.
- On November 5th, the Chamber Bizzy Awards will be held. LSUA is nominated for several awards.
- We are submitting for matching funds with Board of Regents for additional professorship.
- We are working with the Epps House and Avoyelles Tourism to highlight the reopening of it in the future. The focus is "Gateway to Freedom."
- Campus Capital Campaign kickoff will be next Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. in Coughlin Auditorium.

Missy Laborde

- The video from Crest Industries, *Anything is Possible*, is nominated for a regional Emmy award. It was filmed on our campus and Tanya Lueder is interviewed in it.
- Grades are due by 4:30 p.m. today so faculty are busy getting those ready.
- All Faculty Senate Committees are working and getting a lot done.
- Missing job descriptions have made their way to the bylaws committee and hopefully to Human Resources.
We will need to look at Repeat/Delete policy soon as ours is not line with LSU's.

Jennifer Innerarity

- I appreciate Deron's comments about training management.

Melissa Parks

- Allied Health continues collaborations for programs on the downtown campus (Surgical Technology, Respiratory Care, and Dental Hygiene).
Department of Education continues to progress with Kinesiology/Sports Management faculty position and will conduct interviews soon.

Tyler Unsicker

- Soccer is wrapping up in the next two weeks. Senior Game is October 30th
- Men's Basketball is starting next Tuesday
- Women's basketball starts on November 6th.
- Midday Madness will take place on November 1st at 12:00 p.m. We will introduce basketball team and provide food.
- Student athletes will be going out to elementary schools soon to participate in service projects. We will also begin community involvement presence at sports camps, etc.

Kevin Vercher

- Safety updates about the Drainage Project need to be sent to students regularly; Chad and Adam will work together on this. Our plumbing project started yesterday. The project includes upgrading to touchless fixtures. Mid-February is the anticipated completion date.
- We are putting in HEPA filter units. We have completed 28 installations so far and have 30 more to finish.
- The library will be getting a new roof soon.
- Working on completing the paint project at the police station and beginning to work on Abrams Hall.
- The boiler project is ongoing.
- Demolition pricing for abatement was five times higher than anticipated. We are getting other pricing now.
- We will be taking down some street lights and revamping outdoor lighting in some areas of campus.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Parish.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 3rd .
