

MINUTES

LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

11/7/2018 9:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Huang

In Attendance

Dr. Guiyou Huang, Dr. John Rowan, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Stephan Moore, Melinda Anderson, Chancey Slider

Chancellor Huang called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Chancellor's Updates:

- LSUA's Associate of Science in Medical Laboratory Science program received continuing National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) accreditation for ten years. The Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science received NAACLS initial accreditation for five years.
- The Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology program received continuing accreditation for eight years from the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT).
- Each program received the maximum accreditation possible from their respective accrediting agencies. Recognition to Sona Kumar and Dr. Joiner for working hard to make this happen.
- LSUA's request for four Post-Baccalaureate Certificates for Teacher Practitioners has been approved by the Board of Supervisors. The certificate programs include Elementary Education, Middle School Education, Secondary Education, and Education on Multiple Levels.
- The Board of Regents requested \$172.3 million of state funding for the year 2019-2020.

- Thank you to Melinda Anderson, Mary B. McCampbell, Shere' Thaxton, and the many volunteers who organized the ninth annual LSUA Gala. It was a wonderful event that hosted over 300 people.
- Recognition goes to the Arts, English, and Humanities Department and the Alexandria Museum of Art for organizing an outstanding LSUA Student Art Exhibition that took place on November 2, 2018.
- Kudos to Nancy Banales, Madison Fruge, Lucca Morosoli, Beatriz Lizano, and Carli Smith for representing LSUA at the University Scholars Leadership Symposium at the United Nations in Bangkok, Thailand. Recognition on a job well done goes to Tanya Luder, Nina Cox, and the delegates who attended the trip and gave a presentation at the Alexandria Rotary Club meeting on November 6, 2018.
- Congratulations to Patsy Jenkins and the Education Department faculty for establishing four new teacher practitioner certificate programs.

Discussion Items

1. Graduation Dinner

- The Graduation Dinner will take place on December 11, 2018 in the Brumfield-Caffey Ballroom from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM.
- Dr. Rowan noted a scheduling conflict on the night of the graduation dinner for faculty attending the SACSCOC and Board of Regents meetings during the week of the graduation dinner.

- Melinda Anderson noted that it is too late to change the date of the event. She also noted that this is an important event and would like for all Department Chairs and members of the Chancellor's Cabinet to attend.

2. University Wide Diversity Training

- Dr. Shawn Haper from Penn and USC Universities conducted a Diversity Pulse Report on all public universities concerning the intake of minority students, campus diversity awareness, etc. The report showed that LSUA does not fare as well as some other universities.
- Dr. Halpin agrees that diversity training will help our university and students achieve more by fostering a culture of civil debate, engagement, and the respect of others.
- Stephan Moore is attending an NCBI Diversity Training in Baton Rouge, where he plans to discuss how LSU NCBI facilitators can collaborate with LSUA to bring diversity trainings and resources to the LSUA campus, hopefully starting in the spring.
- Dr. Rowan believes that fostering a culture of inclusivity is a main objective in the strategic plan to diversify LSUA.
- The Cabinet agrees many student groups should be discussed in terms of how we can better accommodate students of different backgrounds.
- The Cabinet discussed the possible creation of a campus policy on freedom of expression since LSUA does not currently have a policy. Dr. Huang will share copies of the University of Chicago's Freedom of Expression Policy for review as a guideline for an LSUA policy.
- Stephan Moore proposed that, in collaboration with Dr. Kurt Keppler, all LSU campuses be made aware of campus training opportunities and that trainings be rotated from campus to campus.
- The Cabinet is interested in creating reports that compare retention rates among groups of diversity. Stephan Moore informed the Cabinet that a dashboard is being created to collect specific retention data.
- Diversity and Inclusivity training workshops for all faculty, staff, and students to attend are being considered.

3. LSUA Graduate School Fair

- Stephan Moore has organized a graduate school fair that will take place on November 28, 2018 in the Brumfield-Caffey Ballroom from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. This will be the first fair of its type offered at LSUA. The official name of the fair is still being decided.
- There are no fees to attend this event and all students are welcome.
- This event will be very interactive, including a workstation for students to use.
- Seven institutions have agreed to attend this event including Nichols State University, University of Lafayette Louisiana, Louisiana Tech., Northwestern State University, and several others.

Division Reports

Dr. John Rowan:

- The Ken Bain is still being planned and will take place on January 4th, 2018.
- The Retention Committee is doing an excellent job. The committee is focused on achieving several goals such as improvements in communication, student support services, outreach, and supporting high-achieving students.
- "Spend the Day at A" is taking place on November 17, 2018.

- We want to be recognized as Alexandria's Hometown University and look forward to building positive relationships with the City of Alexandria.

Dr. Eamon Halpin:

- Received feedback from the Board of Regents after making adjustments to the Kinesiology curriculum. The program proposal will be on agenda of the December 12th Board of Regents meeting.
- The IR Director search has brought two candidates to campus to meet with several stakeholder groups. The third potential candidate has removed himself from the pool. The committee feels confident that they are ready to make a decision within the next week.
- Dr. Rowan and Dr. Halpin have renewed contact with COPLAC and a conference call has been scheduled to discuss formal application.
- Christi Nation has resigned as the Director of Continuing Education. New leadership is being sought out and hoped to be in place by January, 2019.
- The Program cards are ready for each department. These cards make people aware of the many programs that LSU has to offer. They will be made available in admissions and advising. Melinda Anderson requested program cards for members of the Foundation Board.
- Dr. Rowan and Dr. Halpin are considering going to the AAC&U meeting in January being held in Atlanta, GA.

Melinda Anderson:

- Thank you to Shere' Thaxton, Haylee Malone, Ethan Lipsey, and several others who are working with the city to host Winter Fete 2018, taking place on the last weekend of November. LSU volunteers will work shifts in the ice skating rink and at the hot chocolate stand. LSU is proud to be a part of this event.
- The Foundation Board is still in the middle of an audit. They have been working on a contract for over 18 months between the Alexandria Museum of Art and the City of Alexandria Utility Department that is still in limbo – CoA new administration and LSU/AMoA will need to continue to attempt an updated contract.
- Spencer Martin and Melinda Anderson attended a Foundation Board Meeting in Baton Rouge on November 2, 2018.
- We are diligently working on preparations for the Graduate Dinner taking place on December 11, 2018.
- Next week, we will have a "Donor Thank You Lunch" where students who have received a scholarship in the past year will have an opportunity to eat lunch, receive information about their scholarships, and write thank you cards to their donors.
- The Finance and Executive Committee meetings for the Foundation Board are coming up. A full Board meeting will be held the week after Thanksgiving.
- The release of two vehicles from LSU has been approved. The Foundation will purchase a suburban, UTV, and trailer and then will proceed with an Act of Donation to the University.
- We are working on preparations for Christmas on the Quad and expect another fun, successful event on November 27, 2018.
- The Investment Committee is meeting November 9, 2018.
- We have been working with the Chancellor's Office concerning the upcoming CLEDA Summit on the Future of Business and Higher Education in Central Louisiana taking place on November 19, 2018.
- The Honor's Scholarship Account funded by the Mulder Gift has built up enough earnings to offer full-ride scholarships to a first-time freshman and a continuing student at LSU.

This scholarship is hoped to be ongoing every year. Applications are being developed now and there will be interviews, etc.

Stephan Moore:

- The retention committee is working very hard and has an engaging level of energy.
- The Total U series has wrapped up for the fall. A speaker came from LSU to talk about stress management in the last meeting in which record numbers of students attended. We appreciate the partnership with academic affairs and partner chairs to make these events possible.
- Registration is open and over 110 Fall 2018 Cohort students have registered.
- Stephan reached out to Golden Key about becoming a designee for the Honor's Society and will be following up with them soon. He also plans to reach out to the Washington Center in the next coming weeks to get extra support for students.

Respectfully submitted by Chancey Slider

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, December 5, at 9:00 AM
