

MINUTES

LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

11/27/2019 9:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

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

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Chancellor's Updates:

- Continuing to work with the Foundation on the Fierce for LSUA Campaign. Meeting with potential donors to continue conversations about the future growth of our campus has been going very well, even though it is very time consuming.
- Thanks to Melinda Anderson for speaking at the City Council and for representing LSUA so well.
- Focusing on the exploration of achieving an Aviation Management program and an Agricultural Business program. Many community members have expressed the need for these programs in our area.
- Compliments to Dr. Halpin for working with the parents of intellectually disabled students in our area to try and develop programs that we could potentially offer on our campus.
- Thanks to the Enrollment Task Force for hitting the ground running. We need to continue to get support for our Foundation and for marketing.
- Plan to ask Dr. Dupont and Dr. Sanson to attend a visit to a law firm in Alexandria concerning internship opportunities.
- Members of the Cabinet should plan to attend the Board or Supervisor's reception and meeting being held in Alexandria on January 9th and 10th.
- Working on the Community College agreement and sent information to President Alexander concerning adding CLTCC as a second option for offering some of the courses our students need to enroll in.
- Continuing conversations with Shelly Gill regarding LSUE courses continuing to be offered on our campus.
- President Alexander has been invited to speak to the North Rapides Business and Industry Alliance by State Representative Mike Johnson in the spring and we are working to set a date.
- Thanks to Dr. Stacia Haynie for speaking at Rotary last week. She did a great job representing LSUA and our system.

- Will be attending an upcoming Central Louisiana Homeless Coalition event to see how LSUA can get involved.

Reports

Chancey Slider

- Christmas on the Quad and the Chancellor's End of Semester Breakfast will take place on Tuesday, December 3rd. The breakfast will be served in the Magnolia café from 4:30pm-7:00pm and Christmas on the Quad will begin at 5:00pm.
- The Chancellor's Christmas Luncheon for faculty and staff will take place on Thursday, December 12th.
- The Foundation is hosting the Graduate Dinner on the evening of Tuesday, December 17th.
- Fall Commencement will take place at the Rapides Parish Coliseum on Thursday, December 19th at 10:00am.
- Spring Convocation is scheduled for Tuesday January 7th. Presentations will be held in Coughlin Auditorium from 11:00am-Noon. Lunch will take place in the Magnolia Café from Noon-1:00pm. We plan to invite retirees back to campus for lunch to kick off the 60th anniversary celebration.
- The LSU Board of Supervisors meeting will be taking place on our campus on Friday, January 10th.
- Dr. Coreil is hosting a Legislative Breakfast meeting for local legislators to attend on January 31st.

Melinda Anderson

- Meeting with Dr. Joiner, Dr. Cormier, and Melissa LaBorde to finalize details regarding the Scott O. Brame Scholarship. Letters will be going out to two student recipients today. Shout out to the ladies at the Foundation for being instrumental support.
- Spoke at the Alexandria City Council meeting with Dr. Coreil concerning LSUA's value to the community yesterday. An agreement is now in place between LSUA and the City of Alexandria after being passed unanimously by the council. We will continue to work on initiatives in the city such as college readiness programs and tutoring.
- Planning to do a college readiness community outreach on January 7th at the Teen Youth Building where LSUA donated computers recently.

Shelly Gill

- Admissions applications are currently up 40% for the fall and we are steadily working to get applications completed. We have given a large amount of tours this semester and plan to look at data regarding the increase.
- We plan to push for Mulder Scholarship applications after Thanksgiving due to the January deadline quickly approaching.
- The TV monitor added to the entrance of Abrams Hall welcomes guests for tours by displaying their name and we have gotten a lot of positive feedback on it. We may try to start getting photos for the monitor as well.

- The Enrollment Taskforce met yesterday and we have a very lively group ready to focus on yielding more admitted students to enrollees. Abbey is currently working on job assignments for members of the taskforce.
- Would like to discuss raising dual enrollment tuition from \$33 per credit hour to \$50 per credit hour in the near future. This will help us to match current trends with other colleges in Louisiana and also support LSU's statewide initiative to get all colleges to offer dual enrollment for \$50 per credit hour. If we make changes, we will need to do it early on before a new semester so that we can make our community partners aware of the increase.
- Facility Services is currently not available for weekend events. Deron agreed to look at budgeting to see what we can do so that support can be offered on weekends when needed.

Deron Thaxton

- LSU hope to put forth a fee resolution for LSU, LSUA, and LSUE sometime in the future. However, we got notice yesterday that this topic will not be on the agenda for the meeting. Last summer, when going through the budgeting process, we asked about having a portion of the existing fees (student excellence, academic excellence, technology, and athletic) that current on-campus students pay added to our online students' fees to model the system that all of the other schools in the LSU System are currently using. At the time, we were told the President could approve this decision without having to go to the full Board of Supervisors so we budgeted these fee increases into the amount of revenue for this fiscal year. This topic has now been removed from the December meeting and it has been communicated from the Board of Supervisors that whether or not the discussion of fees will be on the January agenda is unclear at this point. After following up, Dan Layzell requested a memo that we are sending out today that would allow us to get these fees approved by the President without having to present to the Board of Supervisors. We will know more in the near future.
- In order to keep up on a national level, we need to increase fees per credit hour by \$24.
- We will not be going forward with the Dining Dollars proposal and it is off the table until later. Abbey is drafting an email to go out to campus about the delay.
- Had a good conversation with the Foundation at our last finance meeting about the building on Desoto street next to Allied Health. I also had conversations with Dr. Joiner concerning partnerships with local hospitals to expand Allied Health facilities space. We received an assessment back from Ash Broussard Weinzettle Architects that stated the cost to renovate the current existing facility would match the cost to rebuild it. All of the conversations are very positive and we will continue to look at ways we can move forward with this project.
- Enrollment projections for spring are up by about 5%, which is what we projected.
- It is very evident that we have a lot of momentum with the community and our partners right now.

John Rowan

- The National Institute for Excellence in Teaching would like to convene a meeting of Louisiana's school principals on our campus on January 17th. We are looking into the reservation system to find an available location.
- Would like to have a Planning Council meeting the week of finals.

- The academic structure has to support strategic goals. The feedback from campus on restructuring is that we aren't quite ready to move forward with any particular model. I recommend that the Cabinet accept a change to separate the Department of Business from the College of Professional Studies so that it becomes its own college. It will operate the same way it does now and will increase its ability to better market itself, help with capital campaigns, and attract even more students. Going forward, we will continue to have discussions and the Faculty Senate will be asked to form an ad hoc committee to consider future possibilities. The College of Professional Studies name may need to be change if Business is removed. The Cabinet gave a lot of positive feedback and unanimously voted in agreeance with separating Business from Professional Studies to form its own college. Dr. Rowan plans to send something out to campus regarding this change on Monday. Dr. Coreil will be meeting with Dr. Rowan and Dr. Dupont to discuss the changes and to prepare to have it on the January Board of Supervisors agenda.

Eamon Halpin

- Met with parents of students with intellectual disabilities recently and the conversation went very well. The parents clarified the types of support they are seeking for their children. We are working on putting together a list of resources for funding opportunities for the students and the programs. These programs would be for non-degree seeking students, but the students would take courses and potentially receive certificates.
- The Aviation Management program course fees were approved over a year and a half ago by the Board of Supervisors, but some other obstacles prevented us from moving ahead with the program. We are now ready to begin planning for implementation. This type of program could be beneficial for veteran students and many members of the community interested in aviation management and flight training. We plan to invite the team we met with at England Air Park not too long ago to campus for discussions.

Haywood Joiner

- C&C approved the concentration in healthcare administration in the Bachelor of Science in Health Professions, which will be a 100% online program. We hope to start this program fall 2020.
- SECO (Students Exploring Career Opportunities) went very well. About 3000 tenth graders came through the Randolph Riverfront Center. LSUA was very well represented. Criminal Justice, Education, Business Administration, Nursing, and Allied Health were all there. Allied Health was awarded third place in student choice awards and Education was awarded second place.
- Met with the human resource manager and the local director of Leading Healthcare of Louisiana who are in the home health and case management businesses on Friday concerning internship opportunities. We are going to move forward with the internships possibly as early as this coming spring. Students who are getting a Bachelor of General Studies with a concentration in health sciences will be able to intern for this company. We are excited and looking forward to offering students this opportunity.
- Career Investigation Healthcare, an annual program that LSUA conducts in conjunction with the Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center, will take place on December 17th. This

program attracts around 45-50 high school seniors to our campus. Participants will spend half of their day on our main campus and the other half of the day at the downtown Allied Health Center. Students will be given opportunities to participate in hands-on activities designed to showcase nursing and allied health programs that are offered at LSU.

Abbey Bain

- Working with the Enrollment Taskforce to target nearby schools and to use our current students as advocates.
- Spring registration is trending well. We will continue to send texts and emails to freshmen.
- We are holding a second round of interviews next week for a few candidates who applied for the Title IX/ADA/Risk Management position and hope to have a candidate selected in the very near future.
- Asking all department and office supervisors to please encourage volunteer participation for Winter Fete. Thanks to Haylee Malone for managing this important and large event.
- Continuing to work with students in crisis to make sure they are supported.

Adam Jonson

- There will be a basketball game on December 12th and we plan to do a faculty appreciation night at the game.
- The Student Athlete Graduation Reception will take place on December 18th at 4:00pm. Student Athletes will be recognized and will be presented with honor chords. We plan to host it at G4 if possible.
- Athletics will run the ice rink at Winter Fete on Friday night.
- Asked if fee increases will be on January Board of Supervisors meeting agenda. Deron answered that we are not sure at this point.

Respectfully submitted by Chancey Slider

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, December 11, at 1:00 PM
