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LSUA Chancellor's Cabinet

03/05/2025 9:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

Dr. Paul Coreil, Dr. Elizabeth Beard, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Deron Thaxton, Melinda Anderson, Adam Lord, Tyler Unsicker, Shelly Gill, Bobi Delaney, Connie Cooper, Kelly Pepper, Charlie Dupont, Jason Normand

Dr. Paul Coreil called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Dr. Paul Coreil

- Board of Regents meeting on March 25.
- March 12 – Town Hall Meeting with SLT will be 3PM – 4:30PM
- Nominations for Employee Recognition Dinner awards are open. Please take the time to nominate your colleagues if they are doing outstanding work.
- Drone Demonstration Day – Friday, March 7
- LSUA Continuing Ed and Career Development team of Alisha and Beth – did an outstanding job of participating in a job fair as a result of the IP closure in Campiti.
- April 5th – one of biggest supporters, Mr. Charlie Weems, will be inducted into the LA Political Hall of Fame. Mr. Weems is one of the major forces behind getting LSUA from a 2 yr into a 4 yr university.
- SBDC is advertising for a new director on campus.
- We will be providing a wish list of 1X money from the state. There will be a significant surplus this year.
- Had a great meeting with Alexandria City Councilman Gary Johnson. He is very interested in LSUA and the great things we are doing.
- We have moved up the priority funding list from 26 to 6th for the downtown healthcare campus.
- LSUA is now a “university of choice” for many of our local and regional students. We have all worked very hard to share the impact of what LSUA means to our area.
- The next meeting will be on March 20th at 8:30 AM.

Dr. Elizabeth Beard

- A proposed update to PS 254 to reflect the amended response time (from 24 hours to 48 hours or one business day) was reviewed and approved by Cabinet. The policy will be updated to reflect this change.
- LSUA was recognized as a statewide leader in online excellence at the LSUA Online Innovation Summit on Monday, Feb. 24. All deans and directors attended the summit. Dr. Cheri Bardales and Dr. Nate Sammons received awards as innovators in online education, and Chancellor Coreil participated in a panel discussion on innovative leadership.
- Liz Beard represented LSUA as an economic development partner at the City of Alexandria Economic Development Luncheon following the Children's Parade on March. LSUA's downtown Health Education Campus, enrollment growth, and commitment to regional workforce development were highlighted. We announced the reboot of Leadership Cenla, in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce. Applications for the program are now open, and the new class begins on March 27.
- Art and Culture:
- George Rodrigue Exhibit – The River is the Road -- opens at AMoA on Saturday, March
- Shakespeare on the Greene -- LSUA's performances of A Midsummer Night's Dream will be held March 28 and 29. Performances will take place on the LSUA lawn near Mulder Hall at 7:30 each evening. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and enjoy the outdoor performance.
- LSUA Career Champions Institute will host an Industry & Career Panel on Tuesday, March 11. Panel will include invited guests from the Chamber of Commerce, Crest Industries, Cabrini and Rapides hospitals, and Red River Bank.

Dr. Abbey Bain

- Advising for summer and fall 25 is ongoing, we're seeing more students taking care of business early. Registration will open March 24 for seniors.
- Orientation registration starts April 1st and Ethan's office is sending communication out this week to admitted students
- Registration turned on for Admitted Student Day (April 11 and May 2), so we're excited to welcome these admitted students and their parents to LSUA those days.
- Housing is filling up quickly with 50% full based on contracts signed. We're excited the campus edge project for new apartments was approved at the BoS meeting. Construction should start in April/May this spring.
- The NAIA tournament is March 14-15. We're working with Strategic Communications for special swag to give the first 75 students who enter the game to ensure we have high student participation.
- Ms. LSUA pageant is coming up Saturday, April 5th. We have eight contestants and we're looking forward to a great night to celebrate them and crown the next Ms. LSUA!

Deron Thaxton

- **No Report Submitted**

Dr. Eamon Halpin

- I submitted the Response Report due to SACSCOC on Friday last, two days before the due date. I also called our SACSCOC Liaison, Geoffrey Klein, to let him know that I had made the submission on the SACSOC Institutional portal. The final step in the reaffirmation process will be the vote by the Board of Trustees on June 25.
- A big part of the compliance report that I submitted a year ago was the assessment of our academic programs, our general educational program, our academic and student support services, and our administrative support services. We were not cited on any of these standards, which is quite unusual as they are among the more frequently cited standards. We will report again on the assessment of academic programs in the 2030 Interim Report and on all the assessment standards in our 2034 compliance report. It's important that there are no lapses in our assessment processes and to that end I've been working with Rocaille Roberts, our new Director of Institutional Research and Effectives, on a continuity plan. We are also working on ways to enhance the assessment process and to make it more meaningful and more user-friendly to faculty and staff. There are many commercial software products that could help us achieve this goal. We've already attended some software demos and will make a recommendation soon. We also like to have some meetings with key campus constituencies, including the Chancellor's Cabinet and the Senior Leadership Team, the Dean's Council, the Academic Leadership Team, and the Faculty Senate.
- I'm nearing completion of the self-assessment report that's due to the Department of Defense on March 11. We have an MOU with DOD that provides tuition assistant to military services members. The report requires us to address 15 compliance standards and show to what extent we're meeting them. Once the report is submitted, DOD will review, identify any discrepancies or shortcomings, and grant us a period of time to address them.
- Our degree proposals, the BS in Cybersecurity Technology and the BS in Disaster Preparedness and Response, were approved by the Board of Supervisors at their February 21 meeting. The proposals have been forwarded by LSU to the Board of Regents for their consideration at their March 26 meeting.
- The Professional Aviation Open House is on Thursday of next week from 4:00-7:00 PM. The Fort Johnson personnel will land the helicopter and be available to talk to students. Two members of the Regional FAA Safety Team headquartered in Baton Rouge will also attend.

Melinda Anderson

- Great meeting at Board of Supervisors – two new degrees approved and land lease for golf course/housing development
- Drone Day Friday, March 7 at 2pm. This is a partnership with Jason Ingalls and his team – aerial application for ag business
- Lunch and meeting with SLT and Board of Regent member Dallas Hixson. Very nice to have local representation on the BoR.
- We are a sponsor for the Moon Pie Festival on March 22. We get a lot of students from Ball and surrounding areas. We will need to figure out who will represent as it is a busy day on campus and also the Cabrini Ball that evening.
- April 5 – we will be working to do a LSUA litter cleanup... more on that later. I will be attending an informational meeting in Alexandria Thursday pm. This is in conjunction with “Love the Boot – Keep Louisiana Beautiful” campaign.
- Working with Tom Ryder who will be our May 2025 Commencement Speaker.
- Cenla Day at the Capitol is April 22
- LSU Day at the Capitol is April 23
- LSU Board of Supervisors meetings on April 24 and 25
- Please continue to send your meeting notes to me so that I can put the minutes together and publish in a timely manner.

Adam Lord

- The March issue of the Generals Briefing is in review, and will go to print next week
- From LSU...Asked by LSU to highlight stories of how federal funding brings value to the state: SPERO, STEM Scholars, CARES, Starbase, Pell grants, etc.
- The Board of Supervisors has issued a directive on DEI programs and language across the System. We have worked through scrubbing the website. This is a case-by-case review of the intent of the language used.
- Athletics...Stickers for players and coaches to commemorate the opening round
- DOSE is giving out purple jerseys for the first 100 students at NAIA
- Compliment Caleb Dunlop for his work on the RRAC, good content and professionalism

Tyler Unsicker

- Successful RRAC Basketball tournament with the Men winning and the Women losing in the Championship game.
- Hosting NAIA First and Second round March 14 and 15

Shelly Gill

- Thank you to everyone who helped make STDAA such a success. 84 students and 91 parents attended.
- Reminder that the scholarship deadline for foundation scholarships was Feb 28, but we are still awarding academic scholarships (separate than foundation).
- Mulder Scholarship – March 22. We will host 20 outstanding students and their families this day and award 4 scholarships.
- Admitted Students Day: April 11 – currently 62 registered; May 2 – currently 22 registered. Each are limited to 80.
- Ashlee reported that we have 75 campus visits scheduled in the next coming weeks.
- New vendor for swag – works with all LSU system schools – will work with price points and is a professional brander: Club Colors. Contact Shelly for contact information.
- Housing 220 Apps Received/170 paid contracts – all within one month
- Applications up 9% for Fall. FTF apps are up over 300 from this time last year.
- DE – great meeting with Jeff Powell from School Board – waiting to meet with admins from ASH and Peabody for possibility of providing transportation to campus for students.
- LSUA is hosting BoR DE Task Force Meeting on March 12.
- State of LA is establishing a scholarship for students enrolled in private school or who are home schooled to have DE tuition paid for. The program is called LA Gator.
- US News and World Report 2025 rankings are out:
 - #47 Regional College South
 - #17 Tops Public Schools
 - #130 Nursing Program
 - #60 Top Performers Social Mobility

Bobi Delaney

- Final grades for ELearn 1/1st Session grades due today at noon 3/5/2025
- We will run the pre-requisite check 3/6/25 and drop students from ELearn 2/2nd Sessions where they were not met.
- ELearn 2/2nd Session begins 3/10/2025- our office will send an email remind regarding AEA and drop for non-attendance
- Advising is now open and Registration for continuing seniors 3/24. Emails and texts will go out to each registration group the evening before it opens.
- Grad Fair is 3/26/25 in the bookstore. All Certified Spring Candidates are invited.
- We will not process any more Spring Grad applications after 3/12/25. Students will be asked to apply for the following semester.
- As of today, there are 519 Certified Candidates for Graduation for Spring 2025

Charlie Dupont

- Award nominations due 3/23 for recognition dinner
- FMLA summary document to be sent to cabinet
- Hourly employees will be switched to salary effective 3/8/25
- HR will begin reviewing employee data during birth month to ensure accurate data is in workday

Kelly Pepper

- March is the kick-off to our LSUA Annual Giving Campaign
- The theme for our annual giving campaign is Build Teams that Win!
- The culmination of the campaign is LSUA Giving Day on March 19.
- The Battle of the Generals penny war will begin on campus on March 10 and run through March 18
- We have a challenge gift for the campaign from an anonymous donor - all gifts up to \$50,000 will be matched 1:1
- Trudy Poret, owner of Tarpen Construction and LSUA Foundation Board Member will be a speaker for LSUA International Women's Luncheon. If you have not had a chance to meet her, we encourage you to visit with her while she is on campus.
- The Beam Signing for the Martin Family Student Success Center has been rescheduled for March 13 at 3:30 p.m.
- 100 Women Who Care have selected to support our LSUA Spero Program. We thank them for their generosity.
- Please save the date for Shrimp Jam 2025 - September 23.
- The LSUA Foundation will be unveiling a new website at the end of March as part of our strategic goals.

Jason Normand

- Workday data conversions are ongoing
- Workday integrations are ongoing with some moving into the testing phase
- T2 Parking implementation is still underway
- Proclass for Continuing Ed is nearing completion
- Assisting IR with some reports while their data analyst position is open

Respectfully submitted by Melinda Anderson

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.
