

MINUTES

LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

2/26/2020 2:00 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

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

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

Chancellor's Updates:

- Roy O' Martin Co. is wanting to plant 50,000 trees somewhere on LSU System campuses to represent all 50,000 of the LSU System students. He is working with the LSU Ag Center to find a suitable location.
- Recently met with CLTCC to discuss a joint marketing plan. We will continue planning and have more details to share soon.
- With the upcoming retirement of Mary McCampbell, we will begin to look at restructuring the Foundation and Institutional/University Advancement in a way to best benefit our campus's future needs.
- Discussed LSUA's involvement in city Mardi Gras parades and plan to encourage more participation for next year.
- Thank you to Mr. Kevin Vercher for the outstanding job he is doing in Facility Services.
- Campus needs to be on board with all of the ADA compliance updates to be sure that our upcoming audit goes smoothly.

Reports

John Rowan

- Thank you to Dr. Coreil for working with Roy O' Martin on the tree planting initiative.
- Honors Convocation will take place tomorrow evening in the Brumfield Caffey Ballroom from 5:30pm-7:00pm.
- Daniel Manuel is our campus representative for working with the LSU System concerning coronavirus preparedness.
- Thanks to Liz for recently updating the website homepage.
- Thanks to all of those that attended and participated in the biology chair presentations.
- Creating new faculty leadership positions: Director of the Honors Experience, Director of the CTE, Coordinator of Student Research, and Provost's Fellow. The Provost's Fellow will

learn about behind the scenes administration, marketing, accreditations, etc. All of these positions will be for course release.

- The Science Fair will take place this Saturday.

Eamon Halpin

- Letter of Intent for the proposed Bachelor of Science in Computer Science was approved by the Board of Supervisors and has recently been approved by the Board of Regents. Working on the full program proposal with Nathan Sammons and Tanya Lueder.
- Meeting scheduled in Baton Rouge with the VA specialist, Cleo Wallace, regarding the proposed degree in aviation management. We hope to get VA approval that would allow our veterans enrolled at LSUA to use their funding on this program.
- Continuing to review the SACSCOC standards and plan to meet again tomorrow.
- Steering committee for guidance on the proposed program for students with developmental disabilities has met twice. Penny Smith, Robert Wright, Daniel Manuel, Dr. John Haag, and I are all a part of this committee. Dr. Rowan joined the meeting last week and we plan to have another meeting next week.

Elizabeth Jonson

- Will continue to copy individuals when press releases go out pertaining to their area.
- Working with Lafe Jones to plan a Media Appreciation Luncheon in April or May.
- Tank will be revealed at the basketball game this Saturday, February 29th.

Deron Thaxton

- Mr. Kevin Vercher has been working as the Director of Facilities since last Monday and is doing a great job so far. We have received a lot of good feedback from many areas of campus. We are currently working to fill a several positions in facility services.
- Discussions concerning replacing the large pool heater are still on going.
- We are beginning the fiscal year closing process. If all revenue and expenses were closed at this time last year, we would have closed with a negative \$1.3 million. If all revenue and expenses were closed now, we would have a \$78,000 surplus. Budgets will be tight by year end, but we are in good standings.

Haywood Joiner

- Working to get an idea of what the next steps are for getting a dental hygiene program in Alexandria regarding space, personnel, costs, etc. so that we can begin to move forward. Planning to get together with the Chancellor and Vice Chancellors in the near future to discuss specifics on the next steps.
- Received a call from Spencer Martin regarding the need for a surgical technology program in our area. The Central Louisiana Ambulatory Surgical Hospital indicated that there is a dire need for more surgical technicians. They are interested in finding out if we can offer a surgery technology program. We have already developed a curriculum for a surgical technology program, but it has been on hold due to needed funding. LSUE has a surgical technology program and I am interested to find out if LSUE could offer their program here locally at our hospitals and surgical hospitals. Ideally, we would like to offer a 100% online

ladder program for students who have surgical technology credits to work towards a bachelor's degree, but we still have many discussions to be had and steps to explore.

Melinda Anderson

- Presented to the Alexandria Lions Club last week and we had a great visit.
- The Black History Month Luncheon was very well attended and we raised over \$3000 for the scholarship program. Thanks to Colonel Katrina Lloyd for giving an outstanding speech and thanks to everyone who attended. Kudos to Shere' for all of her hard work.
- Professorship interviews were completed on Friday. Thanks to Dr. Rowan for his help in the process.
- Donor meetings are ongoing.
- Going to the City of Alexandria Youth Center with Liz Jonson in the near future to look at the computer room and to plan a ribbon cutting press conference.
- Working with Shelly on the Mulder Scholarships. Interviews will be held on March 14th and a dinner will be held for all finalists at the Alexandria Museum of Art.
- Working on preparations for the Employee Recognition Dinner.
- LSUA will host a community couchon de lait on April 23rd. We plan to have a band, bar, food, and games. This will be a ticket only event and will be kid-friendly.

Shelly Gill

- The application report shows that applications for Fall are up by 20% and admits are up 24% for on-campus students compared to this time last year.
- Together Tuesday is taking place on March 3rd and we are encouraging all faculty and staff to participate. We will deliver LSUA pencils to the schools and our theme is "Have a great day from LSUA". We hope to have Tank present at some of the schools.
- Working with Lafe Jones on the yield campaign to increase the yield of admitted students. A new water bottle with our logo on it will be given out to all admitted students.
- LSU campuses met last week regarding Workday Student and many questions came to light. The Cabinet briefly discussed future software needs.
- Kaitlyn Nichols and I are working with several local schools concerning dual enrollment enhancement.
- Mulder Scholarship nominees were announced to the Cabinet. Thanks to Melinda Anderson and Dr. Rowan for reading essays and helping the committee to select these nominees. Working with Dr. Coreil to invite the nominees' superintendents and principals to the dinner at the AMoA.

Abbey Bain

- Welcome Brittany Dixon who will be joining the DOSE office soon in the position of Advising and Retention Specialist.
- Working with LSU on PM 16, which is the policy regarding protection of minors with university programs. Dual enrollment is exempt, but it will oversee camps held on campus. We have a phone call scheduled for next Monday to continue conversations with LSU.
- The official advising period started today.

- We will be hosting a “Take Back the Night” program on the evening of April 21st. This is a sexual assault awareness program that we are very excited to host for the first time. We are honored that Katie Koestner who has been featured on the cover of Time Magazine for her inspiring story volunteered to come out and be our speaker. We plan to have a private HBO showing of her featured special the week before the program. We are having a planning meeting tomorrow for this program. We would also like to plan an evening for students, faculty, and staff to have an opportunity to tour campus and identify areas that are not well-lit or safe at night in the near future.
- Many of The Oaks forms are now available online and we will continue to transition forms from paper to online. Thanks to Micheal Courson who has really hit the ground running and is doing a great job with initiatives at The Oaks.
- Working with Dr. Rowan, Catherine Kent, and Brittany Dixon to update our student code of conduct.

Respectfully submitted by Chancey Slider

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, March 11, at 9:00 AM
