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LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

5/4/2021 10:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

Dr. Paul Coreil, Dr. John Rowan, Deron Thaxton, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Shelly Gill, Bob Austin, Elizabeth Jonson, Chancey Slider

Guests: Donald Collins, Chad Gauthier, Melissa LaBorde, Jerri Weston

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Chancellor's Updates:

- I am currently in Baton Rouge attending meetings for the LSU presidential search and will be attending Cenla Day at the state capitol tomorrow.
- Would like to welcome Chad Gauthier, Manager of Safety and Risk Management, to campus and to the Cabinet. Chad will assume this important function on campus that was formally being done by Daniel Manuel. Daniel will retain Title IX, ADA and Civil Rights work along with support for overall DOSE initiatives.
- Welcome and thanks to Coach Bob Austin for serving as the interim Athletic Director. We are in the process of putting together a search committee for the permanent Athletic Director position.
- We should soon be getting the market study regarding the corner of U.S. 71 and the Marksville Highway now part of the golf course on campus. We are hopeful that the study will offer some positive options for retail businesses on the edge of campus that will help us in student recruitment and retention.
- Would like to remind the Cabinet and campus to let UPD know when activities are planned on and off of campus.
- Daniel sent out a message reminding everyone to wear masks on campus after the Governor's recent proclamation reducing places where masks must be worn. Masks are still required at Louisiana universities.
- We are continuing to plan for the Drainage Project groundbreaking and have sent out save the dates for June 18th. The governor will be in attendance and we have invited the Board of Regents, Board of Supervisors, legislators, city officials and community partners.
- We continue to hear encouraging words about an amendment for \$5 million in matching funds for the Student Success Center. The project is being strongly supported by Led Secretary, Don Pierson and it has also been released as the highest category project available for capital outlay for higher education by the Board of Regents. We hope to have more information very soon on the amendment.
- Preparing an LSUA presentation for the new president that we will be presenting late May/early June to give an overview of who we are, what we do, and what our strengths and needs are. We

must include our 5-year strategic plan and the critical steps we will take to reach our 5000-student enrollment goal by 2025.

- We will keep everyone posted on the happenings regarding the presidential search and we should know who our new president is by Thursday. We will have a reception for the new president at LSUA for leadership, faculty and staff to be introduced to the new president ASAP.

Reports

John Rowan

- We are looking forward to the in-person commencement next week. Faculty have been made aware of what to expect. Thanks to Chancey for getting this information to me to send out. We are honored to have Missy Laborde, Faculty Senate President and a very well-known professor and member of campus, as our commencement speaker.
- Yesterday, we had a very successful part two of Scholar Day for the Department of Education who were unable to participate in Scholar Day due to a COVID-19 exposure. Dr. Gilliland worked closely with Dr. Joiner and the Education Department to host the event in the library. We appreciate everyone's flexibility and support.
- July 1st is the start of new fiscal year and the new academic structure. I would like to remind everyone that the department chair position in its current form will no longer exist. In the new structure, the "department chair" is a brand-new position despite having same label. The job descriptions are different. Therefore, references in policies and other documents to the old position (which is administrative) should not be applied to the new department chair position (which is faculty). We will be working on revising policies over the summer to ensure that the department chair and dean titles are properly used and represented in our policy statements.

Eamon Halpin

- Aviation Program Update: House Committee approved the course fees which was a major hurdle to overcome. Last week, I submitted the SACSCOC prospectus for the program and we need approval to launch. This is the last remaining hurdle and I am confident that we will get approval. It is possible that we will be able to launch the program in the fall, but it will more likely launch in Spring 2022. I set up a Facebook page to recruit students to the program. It is getting a fair amount of attention and we have been receiving phone calls from interested current and prospective students. Liz, John, Sandra and I are meeting later this week to plan for a larger announcement for the program.

Jerri Weston

- Two weeks ago, fall registration was at 1425 and is now at 1645. Summer registration was at 1225 and is now 1423 today. We expect these numbers to continue to increase.
- We recently emailed 55 students with classes in carts to encourage them to register. We also emailed registration reminders to sophomores and juniors. As of now, we have 563 students who authorized, but not registered. Two weeks ago, we had 879 students who were not authorized and we are now down to 518.
- Last week, we had 234 students with holds preventing them from registering and we are now down to 200.
- The 2021-2022 calendar has been published online and the summer 2022 will go up soon.
- We are preparing for the end of term and grading has opened.

Abbey Bain

- Abbey was not able to attend the meeting, but her report was given by Shelly Gill.
- New advising and retention specialist started this week, Kasie Prejean, she will work with allied health and the BSN program. She has meetings with both departments this week to start training, along with numerous other departments across the campus.
- Continuing to advise and push registration before the semester ends. We are seeing more incoming freshman students.
- We are working closely with IET and Teresa (THANK YOU TERESA) to update the advising assignments and make sure they're correct.
- We are busy planning for the fall – looking at bringing in new events and initiatives so if you have any ideas, please let us know
- Title IX training now available
- Applications and contracts at the Oaks are looking strong, we are about 33% full for next fall.

Shelly Gill

- We received 267 LSU referrals last week and are working through the process. Intent to enroll forms are going out and then information will be placed into PowerCampus.
- Working to grow dual enrollment. Kaitlyn is doing great job meeting with districts. Thanks to Dr. Rowan for helping to promote this initiative.
- Working on plans for presenting scholarships and at senior award ceremonies and graduations.
- Heavily involved in the last stage of Engage implementation. Training will begin in the next couple of weeks.
- We are interviewing candidate for the open admissions counselor position and have identified four candidates to bring to campus next week
- The Rapides Parish job fair is tomorrow. We will have six tables representing LSUA. Thanks to everyone who will be there.
- This summer, we will be having regular staff retreats and will be inviting some administrators and Cabinet members to participate.

Bob Austin

- Glad to be here with the Cabinet and to serve as the Interim Athletic Director.
- Our softball team is the number two seed in the conference tournament that will be played here on campus this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Please come out and support our generals!
- Baseball will be competing in their conference tournament at LSUS.
- The tennis team finished their regional tournament last week and are the seventh seed in the national championship that will be played May 18th-22nd.
- Working with administration to put together a search committee to hire a new Athletic Director and Women's Soccer Coach.

Haywood Joiner

- Renee Guillory, Director of Surgical Technology, LSUE has worked with Rapides Regional Medical Center engineers to finalize design plans for the surgical technology lab to be located on the second floor of the Allied Health building. Plans are going out to bid for construction costs. Renee is also working with the LSUE Foundation on funding for faculty compensation, equipment, supplies, and accreditation fee requirements.

- The Allied health pinning ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the Evacuation Center. **CI-Healthcare 2021**, will be held on Friday, May 14. CI-Healthcare is an annual program for high school juniors and seniors. Student participate in hands on activities that are designed to introduce them to the allied health and nursing programs offered at LSUA. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, student will be divided into two groups with one groups beginning activities on the main campus and the second group beginning activities on the down town campus. The two groups will switch locations after lunch.
- **Medical Application of Science in Health (M.A.S.H.)**, another program designed to introduce students to the allied health programs offered at LSUA, will be held this summer at the A.C. Buchanan, III Allied Health Education Building. Students participating in MASH are granted 3 credit hours (HESC 1003: Introduction to the Health Care System, 1 credit hour and HESC 1004: Client care Interactions, 2 credit hours) upon program completion. Both CI-Healthcare and MASH are conducted in partnership with the Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center (CLAHEC).
- 2021-2022 Perkins Basic Grant allocations were sent out to participating campuses on May 3. LSUA's allocation for 2021-2021 is \$26,185.95. Allocations are based on the number of Pell and WIA eligible clinical students enrolled in the Perkins eligible programs and registered for 12 credit hours per semester. The LSUA Perkins eligible programs are the Associate of Science in Medical Laboratory Science, Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology, Associate of Science in Nursing, and Certificate in Pharmacy Technology.

Elizabeth Jonson

- We are having graduate photos in the quad on Thursday. Please encourage graduates to come to this fun activity.
- Spring 2021 graduates will be featured in the Cenla Focus centerfold spread and our logo will be on the front cover. We are excited about keeping the momentum going with the Focus.
- Working on plans for the Drainage Project groundbreaking and the save the dates have been sent out.
- Working on the aviation program press release and several others coming up.
- Met with Kristen Lemoine from Aspen Bleu last week regarding some custom LSUA products. She is also interested in the market study results and opportunities for retail on campus.
- Talking with Doug Gann about some possible opportunities for advertising and community event partnerships.

Melissa LaBorde

- Faculty are working on grading and final exams
- The graduation email from Dr. Rowan sent to faculty today was very helpful and I believe that most faculty members will likely be there.
- Faculty Senate recently discussed the need for a dual enrollment policy to be in place and I plan to reach out to Shelly and Kaitlyn about this soon.

Donald Collins

- Campus is safe and secure.

Chancey Slider

- Commencement will take place at the Rapides Parish Coliseum on Thursday, May 13th at 10:00am. There will only be one ceremony. Masks are required. Communications have been

sent to all graduates, faculty and staff and we have also posted announcements on social media. Thanks to everyone who is assisting with preparations and to the volunteers who will be helping next week. We are looking forward to a wonderful day of celebration.

- Will continue to work on policy statement updates after we wrap up commencement week.

Respectfully submitted by Chancey Slider

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 19th.
