



# MINUTES

## LSUA Chancellor's Cabinet

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3/1/2023 9:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

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### In Attendance

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Dr. Paul Coreil, Dr. Elizabeth Beard, Dr. Abbey Bain, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Deron Thaxton, Melinda Anderson, Adam Lord, Tyler Unsicker, Don Collins, Shelly Gill, Chad Gauthier, Connie Cooper, Kelly Pepper, Jason Normand, Jerri Weston, Dr. Julie Gill, Dr. Bernard Gallagher, Beth Whittington, Olivia Chatman

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#### Dr. Paul Coreil

- I would like to thank Dr. John Rowan for his service and leadership over the last four years and want to wish him well in his new role. With that said, Dr. Elizabeth Beard has agreed to assume the role as Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost for LSUA. I want to thank her for her willingness to serve and appreciate her for coming on board and leading us into the future.
- Friday, April 21 – Groundbreaking for the *Martin Family Student Success Center* will take place at 9:00 a.m. Please plan to attend, celebrate and show your support for LSUA. The Board of Supervisors, the mayors, legislators and President Tate will all be in attendance.
- The purpose of the legislative breakfast is to remind them of the priorities of our campus. We plan to discuss the Health Education Campus, deferred maintenance needs and salary increases for both faculty and staff.
- US News & World Report has listed LSUA as one of the top 100 Best Regional Colleges in the South. Adam Lord is going to work with the marketing and promotion of this recognition. Thanks to our entire LSUA team for the hard work you are all doing on this campus that has resulted in this ranking.
- President Tate has approved our request for a tuition increase for online programs here at LSUA. We are still waiting for the approval to be sent in writing, but it is happening and will allow for investment opportunities we know are needed.
- The next meeting will be on March 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

### **Dr. Elizabeth Beard**

- Transitioning into this new position as Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs & Provost has been such a welcoming experience thus far. Watching our campus grow and become the phenomenal place that we are right now has been amazing and I could not be prouder to serve LSUA. I have felt a great amount of support, encouragement and prayers, which has been uplifting as I take on this new role. In the days ahead, I will need your continued support, advice, ideas and dialog. Please keep me informed on things that I need to know about. The channels of communication are open and we will keep making the next right decision together.

### **Dr. Abbey Bain**

- Advising is ongoing. Advisors can authorize and students can add classes to their cart.
- Decision week is next week (March 6-8). Thanks to Abby Dupuy for all of her hard work to plan and execute this.
- Crawfish event – Generals Jam & Boil – is April 20<sup>th</sup>. Tickets go on sale this week. YOU MUST PRE-PURCHASE this year. No tickets will be sold after the deadline. Student tickets are \$10. Faculty/staff/community tickets are \$20.
- Generals Got Talent is a new talent show this spring on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Please encourage students to get involved.
- Code of Conduct draft has been approved by LSU legal. The main changes are due to the law that passed last session. If there is a possibility of separation from the university, there must be a conduct panel. This is only for behavioral misconduct, not academic misconduct. SLT and cabinet will review and vote next cabinet. I am also getting feedback from SG e-board and SG before next cabinet.

### **Dr. Eamon Halpin**

- AVIATION:
  - Yesterday, I met with our two aviation instructors to finalize the fall course schedule and to review progress made by each program student.
  - Two of our students in the program are scheduled to take their private pilot check ride on April 10
  - We have recently been granted access to Gulf Coast Aviation flight schedule system, which will allow the instructors and myself to see directly what progress each student is making in terms of flight hours.
  - We are still prepping for the launch of the flight simulator.
  - Last week, Dr. Coreil and I attended a board meeting for England Airpark and we were able to provide an update on the aviation program and its progress.
- Alice Blackwell and I are busy processing the final batch of courses and curricular changes to be considered by CNC for this semester.

- The graduate exit exam, which is used to assess to what extent the students are meeting the university's 12 gen-ed student outcomes has endured some minor modifications.
- Continuing to write up the SACS standards.

### **Deron Thaxton**

- Yesterday, we received word from LSU Online that our tuition increase for online programs was approved by the president. We are still waiting for the final approved form in writing until we officially announce the news. This will allow us to increase our online tuition for the upcoming fall semester. Based on current enrollment, the tuition increase will give us additional revenue to begin a more comprehensive approach to salaries and additional positions that are needed. The plan is for the state to provide salary increases for the faculty again, however, it is very early in the legislative session so no final budget for higher education has been set yet. There has been some discussion about adding staff to that increase as well
- The Board of Regents has an initiative to do a statewide tuition fee rate for dual enrollment with two scenarios up for discussion. One scenario is \$100 across the board no matter how or where it is taught per credit hour – we are currently at \$33 per credit hour. The other scenario is \$100 per credit hour for those courses taught on our campus or online directly through LSUA and \$75 per credit hour for the courses taught in the high school. If one of these passes, it would go into effect this coming fall semester.
- The Martin Family Student Success Center building is still on track.

### **Melinda Anderson**

- Bolton Oak Tree Dedication on Tuesday Mar 7 at 3pm at the baseball.
- Employee Recognition Dinner plans on-going.
- Board of Supervisors Board Meeting planning on-going.
- Mulder Scholars Day Interviews and planning on-going.
- Assisting President Tate staff with planning statewide tour March 13 and 14.
- Legislative Breakfast planned for March 17 here on campus.

### **Adam Lord**

- Thanks to Chad and Facilities for installing the new banners on campus!
- Nathan is working on a new video for our stakeholders to showcase the support for a new Health Education Campus in Downtown Alexandria
- Had some funds to use for advertising so we added a run through Fox48 = Superbowl spot during local break, ran during Daytona 500, and during College Basketball
- Encourage your reports to bubble up all requests for StratComms work to their superiors. We have (a) had a lot of back and forth with professors about very specific work each College could handle internally with their own Canva accounts (b) PAY ATTENTION to

programming with community partners. We need to VET all potential partners before agreeing to publicize joint ventures

- PS, Chase is out of office on vacation this week

### **Tyler Unsicker**

- Donation from Lawrence Searcy to get some paint and clean up our Student-Athlete Academic Success Center
- Successful RRAC Basketball Tournament even though our teams didn't do as well as we had liked
- Great Tennis Tournament this past weekend with 18 teams, over 150 student athletes on campus and around town – Our girls went 3-0
- NAIA Basketball tournament next week March 7-8 at the Coliseum – Welcoming 8 teams here to Alexandria
- Full go with Tennis, Baseball and Softball – Events here on campus every weekend for the next 8 weekends
- Reconvening the Campus Athletic Committee with Dr. Melissa Parks as the chair

### **Don Collins**

- In the police department, we have cameras that we monitor all of the time. However, the new system that we are looking into would help us out tremendously as far as face recognition, license plate readers and even vape detectors. It would allow us to find suspects much easier and quicker, which is something that college campuses need to be able to do.
- We currently have 3 job openings in the police department that we are actively looking to fill.

### **Shelly Gill**

- US News & World Report: LSUA is in top 100 Best Regional Colleges in the South.
- Application report – trending much higher than this time last year. Looking at more specific data, we have 300 more First Time Freshman, On-Campus Applications than last year at this time. We have already admitted 504 FTF on-campus students for fall.
- Admitted Student Day – happy to share the agenda with anyone interested. Working with departments and colleges across the campus to make this a great day for admitted students and their parents. March 31.
- Dual Enrollment – working with Deans on publishing a set of online courses that can be offered every fall and a list for every spring. This will allow schools to be able to plan for their students' needs. Signed MOU with Allen Parish for 23-24 (new parish coming on board). We are expecting even more parishes to join us for DE once this list is published.

- International Students Arrival and Departure Policy – This policy passed Chancellor’s Cabinet and will go into effect Fall 2023.
- Enrollment Management Retreat Committees are working hard this semester.
- Student to Student Recruitment – many initiatives may not be “seen” by many as we are working with students on social media. Next year, there are plans for adding a student shadowing program that will bring more students to campus and give our guests a much more robust experience while they are here.
- Minority Pipeline Recruitment – Working to announce LSUA as a Native Serving Institution (only one in the state of LA) – plans to invite tribal leaders to campus to meet with the Chancellor and SLT to discuss how LSUA can assist them. The committee is also working on writing a Land Acknowledgement Statement and Land Labor Statement.
- Look Book is at the printer and will be ready for distribution shortly. If there is a local business that you feel should receive one, please let Shelly know.

### **Chad Gauthier**

- COVID –
  - Rapides and surrounding parishes are currently at a low community level
  - Last week, we had 2 cases on campus, this week we have 2 so far.
- WEATHER –
  - Weather event tomorrow night. The NWS moved the enhanced threat somewhat north of our campus, so we are in a slightly better focus.
  - As always, we recommend keeping an eye out on weather and reports.
- FACILITY SERVICES –
  - Many projects both large and small.
  - Working with Strat Comm on hanging new flags across campus
  - Science 108 is wrapping up.
  - Wrapping up work at 318 Burger
  - Work hopefully will begin in CyberLab in Mulder
  - Still working on becoming a Bee Campus
- RISK MANAGEMENT –
  - Thanks everyone for responding to the Quarterly Safety Newsletter.
  - Wrapping up some final repairs to Coughlin Hall as related to the pipe burst over the Christmas Holidays
  - Will work with IET on including some cybersecurity verbiage in the Quarterly Newsletter.

### **Connie Cooper**

- The OoDEI provided Diversity 101 training for new employees.
- The annual diversity training for employees who have already completed Diversity 101 is scheduled to be released in April.

### **Kelly Pepper**

- LSUA Giving Day March 29<sup>th</sup> - Please save the date; more information to follow.

### **Jason Normand**

- Reach Issues – working with both Anthology and Microsoft support on determining what went wrong with the upgrade.
- Network Security – With Southeastern in the news due to a potential cyber security event, we've reviewed our security stack and conducted a table top exercise to look for improvements to our security posture.
- Working with Auditors on Audit findings from a previous audit
- Drafting new policies in regards to PM36 – still just in drafting phase
- Implementation of Handshake (Career Services Software). Go-live should be sometime next week.

### **Jerri Weston**

- Currently we have 377 bachelor and associate degree students for spring 2023 and 26 certificate candidates.
- Spring 2022 we awarded 300 associate and bachelor degrees and 22 certificates
- 25 live scheduling system went live a few weeks ago, we are currently creating a FAQ for everyone. The feedback has been positive thus far and we expect it will continue to be so. This system offers us the ability to review all spaces that are eligible to be reserved. The system will only accept request 48 hours in advance, no request less than this time frame will be accepted. If you need to schedule something day of, please contact the Registrar's office.
- Grades are due for Elearn 1 and 1<sup>st</sup> Session today at noon
- Drop for pre-req will occur on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> or Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> for those students who failed a pre-req in the 1<sup>st</sup> session/Elearn 1.
- Elearn 2 courses and 2<sup>nd</sup> Session classes begin March 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Dr. Julie Gill**

- Beth Whittington and Dr. Bernard Gallagher are both serving on an Ad Hoc Committee through the Faculty Senate to look at the revision of PS 202 and 202(B) for promotion and tenure. I want to thank them for serving on that committee and meeting every week to make sure that the revision is updated before it is brought to SLT.
- We have created an Ad Hoc Committee to help Dr. Abbey Bain with PS 207 revision, which had been taken off of the administrative list and we were in direct violation of that policy when it came time to there being student grievances. Every college is represented with both faculty and students and Dr. Bain will lead in the revision process of that policy statement.

- There was a meeting yesterday regarding questions with advising, so we will be having conversations with Dr. Coreil and Dr. Beard this week pertaining to those concerns.
- Courses and Curricula (C&C) is working hard and CurricuLog will be looked at for implementation in the near future.
- Please contact me if you would like to attend a Faculty Senate meeting.

**Dr. Bernard Gallagher**

- No update.

**Beth Whittington**

- In the process of revising PS202 and PS202(B), we have identified some conflicting policies that we will make Faculty Senate aware of. The revised policy should be completed in April sometime.
- Faculty are in the midst of grading and advising.
- I will be teaching at the Alexandria Regional Police Academy all afternoon today.

**Olivia Chatman**

- Tuesday, March 28 – Employee Recognition Dinner at 5:00 p.m. in the Ballroom. Tickets will be reserved through Eventbrite this year. Please make sure that if you plan to bring one guest, that you purchase their ticket (\$20) when you reserve your complimentary ticket. Once you reserve, you cannot go back and make changes.
- Farmer’s Market is today in the Quad 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Olivia Chatman*

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**The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**

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