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LSUA Chancellor's Cabinet

8/1/2023 2:00 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Coreil

In Attendance

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, Dr. Julie Gill, Dr. Bernard Gallagher, Beth Whittington, Olivia Chatman

Chancellor Coreil called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

Dr. Paul Coreil

- Equity and raise letters have been sent out.
- Mandatory trainings are due in September – please remind everyone in your department. If these are not completed, you are not eligible to receive merit increases next year.
- **Health Education Campus** – Working hard to advocate for a portion of the state P5 money (\$29 million). This week, Senator Kassidy was successful in getting \$3 million through the Senate Appropriations Committee in Congress. Now, it has to go to conference because the House and Senate have two different versions of the appropriations bill.
- Chase is working on updating and improving our organizational chart so that it is easier to navigate and read.
- Working to try and take some pressure off of the Foundation in terms of getting restricted funding for student activities on campus. Kelly is working on a concept called the Chancellor's Circle. In August, the Foundation is considering sending out letters to our supporters and prospective members of the Chancellor's Circle. More details to come later.
- Policy reviews should be completed by the deadline of September 1, 2023. Each policy with substantial changes should be brought to the Cabinet for us to all vote on and approve.
- Our commencement speaker will be Ms. Quinine Jenkins, Director of Community Engagement at Delta Air Lines – thanks to Kelly Pepper for securing Ms. Jenkins.
- Reminder to send over reports after attending a conference in order to inform us on what it is that you learned. I did receive a conference report from Tyler Unsicker and it was very informative to read about what they learned while attending.

- Attended a meeting in New Orleans last week for the Dental Advisory Committee that I was recently appointed to. The overall goal is to discuss and discover solutions for the crisis of not having enough dentists in the rural communities.
- LSUA will be signing two MOU's in the near future – one with LSU Health Shreveport and the other with LSU Health New Orleans. These MOU's will guarantee an interview for LSUA students who qualify for their medical school and/or other professional schools within the Health Science Centers in Shreveport and New Orleans.
- The next meeting will be August 16, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Dr. Elizabeth Beard

- Academic structure changes –
 - To better align our curricula, history (as a humanities) will be moved into the College of Liberal Arts in an expanded department of English, History & Humanities. Dr. Bernard Gallagher has agreed to serve as chair of this department in its new structure, beginning August 1 (today).
 - As social sciences, Political Science and Disaster Science will move to an expanded department with Criminal Justice within the College of Social Sciences. The pre-law BGS will also move to the CJ department. Dr. Jennifer Innerarity has agreed to serve as the acting chair of that department while Beth Whittington is acting dean of CSS.
- Tutoring Center – Cieltia Adams has accepted our offer as the new Tutoring Center Coordinator. She comes to LSUA from UNO and has strong higher education experience with tutoring centers, writing center work, and other student support services. She plans to be on campus by the start of classes, August 21.
- Dean of Health & Human Services Candidate – Position applicant Jeff Langston, who has extensive leadership experience in health care, completed his campus visit yesterday, July 31. His consideration for this academic leadership position represents an interest in leaning into the curriculum to career connection. We'll provide updates as that search progresses.
- Catherine Pears Art Show – AMOA Executive Director Catherine Pears successfully defended her MFA at Stephen F. Austin University this past spring. She will host an academic lecture on her master's thesis and an exhibition with an interactive performance in The Gwartney Theatre during the week of September 25. Watch for more details.

Dr. Abbey Bain

- Orientation is this Friday! We are excited to have over 200 students registered. Please make sure to welcome our guests to campus over the next few weeks. This is a hectic time, and we can have a big impact on students and parents at orientation.
- Housing full with 48 on the waitlist. There is a zoom session tonight to go over the move-in procedure for students. There will volunteer information going around soon.

- Advising push for continuing students without schedules via emails and text messages today. Enrollment is still up overall. Freshman is up 18% and on campus is now up about 2% - so we have seen the rate of growth on campus greatly slow down.
- Workday planning approaching and will get heavy in October. We need everyone to be patient and understand this will be a huge time commitment, as most of our practices when it comes to student registration and records will completely change. We need to invest quality time into the project early or else we will have bigger issues down the road.
- Title IX and Disability Services interviews will start next week, the committee has Dr. Jessie Ringo, Clare Duda, Twana Chestand, and myself.
- I am working with Dr. Susan Bowers to present a session at CTE this fall to discuss academic integrity/academic misconduct.

Deron Thaxton

- Project Updates –
 - *Martin Family Student Success Center* – Working with FP&C on start date of construction. It will go to the bond commission to have the final funding approved on Thursday, September 21; immediately following that, it will go to bid.
 - *Health Education Campus* – On the agenda for Architect Selection Committee meeting in November.
 - Campus Edge Project – Plan to re-group and keep this project more in-house and locally minded going forward. The market study that was done has given us good data that can and will be utilized in talking with other developers.
- Officially closed out the year and everything went as planned.
- Raise letters went out last week.
- No changes for this year's budget.
- Attended Workday meeting last week in Shreveport. The meeting was very informative and further proved just how much this implementation will change the way that we do business. Updates will follow.
- Enrollment is continuing to look very good.
- ACT 264-HB8 was signed into law – A minimum of an 11x14 poster or plaque with the national motto, "In God We Trust", must be visible in every classroom on campus. This law goes for every public elementary, secondary and post-secondary classroom. Read more about the law here: [ACT 264-HB8 Documents](#)

Melinda Anderson

- Working with the City of Alexandria on a few projects.
- Preparing for Shrimp Jam on Thursday, September 21.
- Tentative date for the Legislative Luncheon is Wednesday, November 29.
- Working with LSU Health New Orleans to have a ribbon cutting/MOU signing once the Dental Hygiene program is up and running.

- Reached out to Red River Bank to see if their ice cream truck can come for our Facility Services workers as an appreciation to them for all of their hard work in this heat.
- Working on Chamber of Commerce Bizzy Awards nomination statement.

Adam Lord

- Bringing a finalist for Web Content Coordinator to campus in a few weeks.
- Met with Athletics to prep for back-to-school StratComms needs.
- Please reach out to schedule time with Mira for anything related to Canva or PUR-522.
- Our Spanish commercial has over 3,000 views over digital placements and almost 40K so far on Fox48 broadcast.
- Our end-of-summer ads include: Shrimp Jam, a story on Melinda Descant's Coach of the Year award in Cenla Focus.
- The first big push for major ad campaigns kicks off in September: Visit Campus, School of Education, General Awareness, a male-focused commercial for college football.
- Filming with Jay Johnson for Shrimp Jam went great.

Tyler Unsicker

- Men's and Women's Soccer reports on August 7. This is the first year that they will have a practice field.
- Athletic Training System (ATS) – New software for tracking student-athletes insurance and paperwork.
- Shrimp Jam – Above 300 tickets sold!

Don Collins

- Continuing officer training by computer.
- Extended an offer to hire another officer, which would make us fully staffed.
- Met with Joel Stevison from Country Day Upper School to discuss a few things, but plan to revisit at a later date.

Shelly Gill

- Enrollment for fall is currently up 20%.
- Applications are still trending high.
- Samantha Evans started this week. She is the Admissions Office Coordinator and will be sitting at the desk in the front of Abrams.
- Thank you to everyone who supported, presented and sent children to the Kids Camp a few weeks ago.

- Due to Workday Student implementation, Joshua Perrodin will be taking on more responsibility in the office. There will be times when I am not able to make meeting requests – Joshua will be filling in.

Chad Gauthier

- COVID – Last week, we had 0 cases reported on campus, this week we 0 so far. Almost 5 weeks of no reported cases.
- Weather – Nothing significant in the upcoming forecast.
- Facility Services –
 - In house, we continue to have many projects both large and small across campus.
 - The Oaks – lots of work in house and by contractors
 - Library Part 1 – hallway flooring complete. Looking at about 2 weeks to begin work in the larger section,
 - Library Part 2 – Painting should start week after next.
 - Fitness Center Floor – prob 3-4 weeks away from start.
 - Continuing cleaning up some beds, Library bed work has started and Student Center/Mulder beds are next on the list.
 - Work at the Police Dept (canopy project) should begin in a week or two. Waiting on materials
 - Cafeteria work – a couple weeks.
 - Generator to Oaks - Gas line to Oaks – hopefully next week we can start,
 - Storefront Doors – Admissions, Chancellors Suite, and financial aid Gathering price quotes now.
 - Our custodial crew has been busy with floors.
 - Grounds working on sprucing up all beds in prep for the semester.
 - Remainder of the street overlay. – Robert Meyard, FP&C

Connie Cooper

- DIVERSITY TRAINING –
Diversity Training Registration:
 - IET provided some great updates to the OoDEI website making it easier for faculty and staff to navigate registration for diversity training. We sincerely appreciate that.
 Summer Schedule:
 - Diversity 101 Workshop – August 7th at 12 PM (Mulder Hall, 302)
 - Microaggressions Workshop – August 10th at 10 AM (Zoom)
 Fall 2023 through Summer 2024 Schedule:
 - Topics and trainers are confirmed. Trainers will be sending the CDO their exact dates and we will release the calendar in mid-August. We are excited about the addition of

new topics. We are incorporating an evaluation for every workshop requesting feedback and suggestions for topics to offered in the future.

FALL 2023		
DATES	TOPICS	TRAINERS
September	Diversity 101 (In Person)	Connie Cooper
October	Neurodiversity 2 (1-In Person 1-Virtual)	Robert Wright
November	Stereotypes (1-In Person)	Ethan Lipsey
	Microaggressions (1-Virtual)	Cheryl Bardales
SPRING 2024		
DATES	TOPICS	TRAINERS
February	Diversity 101 (In Person)	Connie Cooper
March	Generational Diversity (1-In Person 1-Virtual)	Joshua Perrodin
April	Stereotypes (1-In Person)	Ethan Lipsey
	Microaggressions (1-Virtual)	Cheryl Bardales
SUMMER 2024		
DATES	TOPICS	TRAINERS
June	Diversity 101 (In Person)	Connie Cooper
July	Bystander (In Person Live)	Joshua Perrodin
August	Neurodiversity (In Person or Virtual)	Robert Wright
	Microaggressions (Virtual)	Cheryl Bardales

- COPE, Inc. – Special thanks to everyone on campus who played a part in ensuring that COPE, Inc.’s time on campus was safe, purposeful, and welcoming. The reviews have been very positive thus far. The CDO will have a debriefing with COPE, Inc. leadership soon. In the interim, please forward feedback to the CDO.
- Courage Conversations at AMoA – As part of the OoDEI’s community service component, the CDO will facilitate Courageous Conversations centered around contemporary art on display at the AMoA. The first in a series of conversations on the subjects that challenge or divide us will be held on August 24 at 6PM. The topics for this dialogue will be drawn from the works presented by the contemporary artists featured in the 36th September Competition.

Kelly Pepper

- We will be announcing two endowed scholarships in the next month.
- August 30 - Reminder that we are hosting the LSUA College of Business and the Alexandria Business Foundation Hall of Distinction Ribbon Cutting at 2:00 p.m. Chambers Hall, everyone is invited to attend
- August 31 - LSUA Foundation Board Meeting at 8:00 a.m.
- August 31 - Live Oak Dedication in honor of Dr. Paul and Mrs. Arlene Coreil, everyone is invited to attend
- Raisers Edge migration is almost complete. Many thanks to our IET team for their support.
- Noel Distillery has just agreed to be an in-kind sponsor for Shrimp Jam.

Jason Normand

- Attended Workday meetings last week in Shreveport with several others.
- Working on data clean-up and data conversions still going smoothly.
- Started meeting with the integrations team this morning.
- October 17-19 – Hosting the Workday tenant handoff on campus.
- Over the weekend, students were not able to get their myLSUA account set-up completed, but IET was able to fix the issue last night. If you hear of anymore issues regarding myLSUA from students, please notify IET.
- Working on an identity and access management system – process of purchasing – and it will be a large project starting at the end of August. It will affect multiple departments on campus where access request forms are done. One of the primary focuses will be the actual account creation process. One specific change from this will be the ability for us to login to Workday with our LSUA accounts. Estimated date of completion will be sometime in December.

Dr. Bernard Gallagher

- Raises have been well received on the faculty side.
- Cavanaugh Lectures – Location
 - Thursday, September 26 at 6:00 p.m. at the Main Library in downtown Alexandria – Adam Lord presenting on the Ukraine.
 - Thursday, September 28 at 6:00 p.m. in Mulder Hall 145/Zoom – David Madden
 - Thursday, October 19 Zoom Session – Rebecca Wells
 - Will have to reschedule Blake Chatelain’s lecture on the banking crisis.

Beth Whittington

- Dr. Julie Gill reported that CurricuLog training will begin soon.

Olivia Chatman

- Monday, August 14 – Fall Convocation in Coughlin Hall Auditorium with lunch to follow in the Ballroom at 9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Olivia Chatman

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.
