In Attendance

Dr. Guiyou Huang, Melinda Anderson, Deron Thaxton, Shelly Gill, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Laura Fowler
Excused: Stephan Moore

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

Chancellor’s Updates

- Good attendance for the **LSU 2025: Challenge Accepted** event. We have received good feedback from faculty members.
- Priorities set for LSUA for the upcoming years: retention, recruitment, and revenue.
- Spring enrollment is at a 4% increase.
- Will welcome the Association of Louisiana Faculty Senates on Feb 17th.
- Community Outreach Summit – March 7th.
- Black History month luncheon is tomorrow. Proceeds go towards the Ebony Scholarship.

Rescheduling COPLAC visit – Eamon Halpin

- March 1-2
- Dr. Sandy Huguenin, the COPLAC Membership Chair, will visit with key groups on campus.

Letters of Intent – Eamon Halpin

- Accounting Letter of Intent approved by BoS. It will go to the BoR next.
- Kinesiology Letter of Intent up for approval by BoS. The current kinesiology curriculum, a concentration within the Bachelor of General Studies, has 109 enrolled students.
- Dr. Eamon Halpin is working with the Chancellor to revise **Policy Statement 245: Duties, Responsibilities, Compensation and Teaching Loads for Academic Department Chairs and the Assistant Vice Chancellor**.
  - Changes made to teaching loads and chair term limits added to draft policy.

2025 LSU Strategic Plan – Eamon Halpin

- LSUA needs to look at LSU’s Strategic Plan and see how the university’s initiatives fit into the plan.
- Eamon asks the Cabinet to assist in this, focusing on each division.
- This is an opportunity for us to show LSU that LSUA has its own vision for the future.

Eamon Halpin

- Gave reports about COPLAC, Letters of Intent, and 2025 LSU Strategic Plan.
Melinda Anderson

- The Ebony Scholarship Luncheon is tomorrow, February 15th. Over 230 people from the community will be in attendance. Shere’ Thaxton has done an amazing job planning this event. Thank you to Dr. Haywood Joiner and Ms. Rosa Fields for your help in securing a fantastic speaker.
- Currently assisting Dr. David Holcombe with the Disparities Forum, which will be held in Coughlin.
- Still going through Razor’s Edge training.
- Beginning the budgeting process with the Foundation and GAA.
- Working with Shelly Gill and Jeff Massey on the donor stewardship communication pieces.
- The Alexandria Rotary is sponsoring the LSUA tailgate next week.
- One of LSUA’s current faculty members made a generous contribution to the Foundation in the form of a scholarship.
- State Farm contributed two scholarships to the Foundation.
- The Foundation has received over 30 applications for Endowed Professorships.

Deron Thaxton

- The Governor called a special session that will start Monday, February 19th and run through March 7th. This is to go over all financial topics prior to the regular session. The plan is to have financial answers by the end of the special session, but some topics might roll over.
- LSUA could still have a 3.5% budget cut, but this might be less after we get more information after the special session ends.
- Student WorkDay – this is a bigger project than expected. We will need key staff members to dedicate at least 50% of their time to this project over the next two years. LSUA also needs to designate a space for meetings and tests to occur. This is being looked into.

Shelly Gill

- “Spend the Day @ A” is this Friday, February 17th. So far, 110 students plus their families will attend (over 250 people on campus).
- Thank you, Charlie and Chartwells! Students and family who come for tours at 10:00 AM will now be offered free lunch. Tours that come at 2:00 PM will receive a beverage of their choice from Starbucks.
- Training Kaitlyn Nichols on certain duties in preparation for Shelly devoting so much time to the Student WorkDay project.
- Meeting with Avoyelles High School and University Academy to go over the changes in the Dual Enrollment standards.
- Beth Whittington and Shelly Gill met with Alexandria Senior High School to add Criminal Justice classes to their dual enrollment course offerings. This will be in effect in Fall 2018.
- The JAG Program from Livonia is coming for a group tour on Friday.
- Hosting a tour from Grant High School.
- Eamon Halpin and Shelly Gill are meeting with CLTCC regarding articulation agreements.
- Spring 2018 applications are down about 14% compared to last year, but up compared to Fall 2016. TOPS could have affected these numbers.
Respectfully submitted by Laura Fowler

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, February 28, 2018, at 9:00 AM