

# MINUTES

## LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

3/14/2018 12:00 AM | *Meeting called to order by* Chancellor Huang

### In Attendance

Dr. Guiyou Huang, Melinda Anderson, Deron Thaxton, Shelly Gill, Stephan Moore, Dr. Eamon Halpin, Erin Weilbaeher

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

#### Chancellor's Updates

- All-Campus Meeting is today.
- The Community Outreach Summit was successful with about 40 community and LSUA members in attendance.
- Nine Provost Candidates have been identified for ZOOM interviews, which will be held all day tomorrow.
- Action plans for the Foundation's Strategic Plan have been sent out for implementation.
- Had a morning interview at KALB Jambalaya.
- Thank you to Kathy Wimmert and Haylee Malone for a successful Job Fair.
- A high enrollment yield rate for LSUA of 81% was reported in the U.S. News & World Report. LSUA is #3 in this category, behind West Point and the Naval Academy.

#### Pre-Employment and Random Drug Testing – Deron Thaxton

- Quarterly CFO meeting was last week. One of the topics at the meeting was pre-employment and random drug testing.
- LSU, LSUS, and the Health Science Centers do random drug tests per quarter.
- LSUA does have a Drug Testing Policy (P.S. 227), which states that the university reserves the right to drug test for pre-employment, current employees, and for reinstatements. This is the same for random drug tests.
- LSU recommends that LSUA implement this practice.
- The Cabinet agrees with moving forward with implementing this policy.

### Eamon Halpin

- The COPLAC visit went well.
- Letter of Intent for Kinesiology is on the BoS consent agenda for Friday.
- The Accounting Proposal is on the April BoR consent agenda.
- The proposed curriculum for the Aviation Management Program, a concentration in the BGS, is being sent through the campus approval process. Dr. Eamon Halpin, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Dr. Kerry Ordes, and Tanya Lueder are involved with creating this curriculum.
- Working with the department chairs to better market degrees.
- Working with Dr. Holly Wilson with bringing in more art classes.
- Melinda Anderson and Shelly Gill are working on choir scholarships.
- Ethan Lipsey has been promoted to Director of First Year Experience, effective April 1, 2018.
- Tanya Lueder is the new Director of Teaching Excellence, effective Fall 2018.

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## Melinda Anderson

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- Met yesterday with a small group regarding the Capital Outlay Campaign. The Foundation Office will send letters to legislators to gain their support for this project.
- Planning a site visit to Northwestern State University's Student Support Center to have a comparison for LSUA's proposed Student Services Building.
- Civic Luncheon has been rescheduled to September 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Working with Shelly Gill with sending out thank-you cards to our donors who contribute to scholarships.
- May 1 is CenLa Day at the Legislature, hosted by the Chamber Board. LSUA will have a booth at this event. The LSUA Foundation is co-sponsoring the reception.
- Continuing to update the Razors Edge database, which is about 80% complete.
- Approved an advertising sponsor package with KALB for the Basketball National Championship games in Kansas City.
- In April Dr. Haywood Joiner and Dr. Paul Coreil, former Chancellor, will speak at the Alexandria Rotary Club.

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## Deron Thaxton

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- Discussing resolution to a couple of student fees that the Student Government Association would like to remove:
  - Yearbook Fee
    - Fee is \$2.00 per student.
    - The yearbook is published every 2 years.
    - Students show little interest in the yearbook.
    - Cabinet agrees to move forward with removing this fee.
  - Children's Center Fee
    - Fee is \$7.50 per student.
    - Put in place by students in 1998 when LSUA's enrollment consisted of more non-traditional students. Currently the enrollment consists of more traditional students.
    - The Cabinet is interested in seeing a phase-out plan rather than removing the fee.
    - The Cabinet agrees to first meet with key individuals before making any decisions.

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## Shelly Gill

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- LSUA is down in applications for summer and fall.
- Advertising on TV and radio to help boost applications.
- Dr. Eamon Halpin and Shelly Gill visited LSUE to discuss the university's partnership.
- LSUE has a Geaux Center, which houses Admissions and Enrollment.
- LSUA is closing its office at LSUE. Tellin Fontenot will be relocated to the LSUA Campus.
- Currently in the middle of Transfer Fairs.
- Issuing two additional DS2019 paperwork this week for visiting Chinese scholars.
- Will be sending out audition fliers for the choir soon. Audition is on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Working on choir scholarships.
- Cheerleading tryouts this weekend. Kaitlyn Nichols will give tours to those who attend.

- Student Bridge will add videos to LSUA's website. They will be on campus on April 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be multiple videos reflecting all aspects of student life.

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## Stephan Moore

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- Job Fair was yesterday with 40 employers present.
- Center for Student Success is advising new admits for summer and fall, as well as freshmen attending in spring 2019.
- Will pilot early registration with athletes.
- Total U Symposium is next Thursday, focusing on alcohol and drug abuse.
- Once registration opens, all FTF will be invited to Pizza with the Chancellor.
- There has been a slight retention increase from Fall 2017 to Fall 2018.
- Ms. LSUA is sponsoring 10 tickets for students to attend the pageant.
- Stephan Moore and Dr. Abbey Bain are discussing starting a Chancellor's Club.
- Stephan Moore and Dr. Eamon Halpin are discussing starting a Lunch and Learn event for FTF.

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Respectfully submitted by Erin Weilbaecher

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

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