

MINUTES

LSUA Chancellor Cabinet

3/28/2018 9:00 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 Weilbaecher

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Chancellor's Updates

- Attended the Regional CASE Conference in Fort Worth, TX. Also in attendance were Melinda Anderson, Shere Thaxton, Sarah Black, and Liz Jonson.
- Four candidates have been identified during the Provost search to participate in on-campus interviews starting April 9th.
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- Attended the regional CASE Conference with Melinda Anderson, Sarah Black, Shere Thaxton, and Liz Jonson.
- Provost search is ongoing. Four candidates have been identified and will be on campus starting April 9th.
- The Employee Recognition Dinner was a nice event to celebrate and recognize current faculty and staff. All full-time faculty and staff were invited. Thank you to Chartwells and the Foundation for hosting this event.
- Spring 2018 Commencement will be held at the Coliseum.
- Attended the LSUA 2018 Undergraduate Humanities Conference. Students gave impressive presentations. Thank you to all who helped make this event a success: Eamon Halpin, Christopher Stacey, Alice Blackwell, Jim Rogers, and Michelle Riggs.

Eamon Halpin

- A new Microbiologist was hired: Dr. Workineh Kite.
- Dr. Randall Dupont will be the new Department of Business Administration Chair, effective July 1.
- NSU approached LSUA years ago regarding having freshmen engineering classes. This idea has been resurrected and an MOU has been submitted. LSU faculty will teach these engineering courses.
- Accounting proposal is with the BoR. Currently working on a separate meeting with the BoR before the main meeting on April 18th.
- Kinesiology proposal is on the agenda for the next BoS meeting.
- Working with the departments with creating custom informational pamphlets, which will be displayed in each department and in a rack in Mulder. Sarah Black and Liz Jonson are working on this initiative.

Melinda Anderson

- Continuing to work on the Strategic Plan with Committees.
- Working on gathering letters to legislators to present to them on or before CenLa Day at the Legislature, May 1.

- Continuing with Razors Edgen database update. Hoping this will be complete by June 1.
- Traveling to Natchitoches on April 9th to tour NSU's Student for Success Building for comparison for LSUA's future Student Success Building.
- Dr. Paul Coreil, former Interim Chancellor, is speaking at the Alexandria Rotary on April 24th.

Deron Thaxton

- The Drug Testing Policy has moved forward. Has spoken to three vendors to compare pricing and procedures. Selected Secon, a local company.
 - Worked with LSU and LSUE to work out the procedures and forms candidates will follow and fill out once tentatively hired.
 - This will be an active policy on May 1.
- SG has four resolutions
 - 1. Newspaper Fee Removal
 - Change the name of the Newspaper Fee to Media Fee
 - Cabinet agrees to change the name.
 - 2. Student Government Fee Increase
 - Currently \$10.00/credit hour
 - Proposed increase to \$14.00/credit hour.
 - Cabinet tables this resolution.
 - 3. Student Activity Fee Increase
 - Currently \$11.00/credit hour.
 - Proposed increase to \$16.00 per credit hour.
 - Cabinet tables this resolution.
 - 4. Children's Center Fee Removal
 - Edited resolution to phase out the fee and to end the fee in 2021. Fee will be decreased each semester based on needed cash-flow at the center.
 - Cabinet agrees to move forward with this edited resolution.
- Any/All fee proposals must go to the LSU Board of Supervisors for discussion/approval at the June 2018 meeting.
- Building of a Student Recreation Center was discussed. This would be a project taken on by students and financed by bonds backed by a student fee (approved and voted on by the student body). Recreation center models at other universities are being evaluated for comparison. A survey sent to students shows that they are generally in favor of such a building and associated fee.
- Capital Outlay Update: Unlikely that LSUA will receive any funding from HB2 in the upcoming appropriations.

Shelly Gill

- LSUA closed its office at LSUE. Tellin Fontenot is now on LSUA's campus full-time.
- An agreement has been made between LSUA and ASH regarding dual enrollment.
- There is a "Recruit Back" event, which will be hosted with CLTCC downtown. Teresa Seymour is working with Shelly to pull a list from the BoR to go through Clearinghouse to send invitations to those students.
- Working on awarding scholarships to students during high school graduations.
- Working with LSU regarding their referral list. LSU sends students who are not accepted into their programs info about LSUA and LSUA so they are not actually rejected, but given options.
- Recruiting team was at the Pelicans game last night with a table.

- Meeting with CenLa Human Services to review our current partnership for them supporting a part-time counselor for 8 hours per week.
 - SGA submitted additional resolutions.
 - Group advising went well. Thank you to the Accounting side, Deron Thaxton and Pat Hoyt, for increasing the amount on the student hold from \$35.00 to \$100.00.
 - Tellin Fontenot is now in DOSE as an Enrollment Specialist, focusing on “promise students”, creating a first drop, and a probation program. This position will aid efforts to increase retention for students currently participating in the first-drop program, students on academic probation, and students who are on academic suspension.
 - Registering Cohort FA17 FTF and contacting those students who have not yet registered.
 - Total U Series has been a success. The most recent symposium was about alcohol and drug abuse. Over 80 students were present.
 - The last Total U Symposium will be April 16th, the topic being Be Your Best Self with Shelby Jenkins, former Miss Texas.
 - There are three job searches ongoing in DOSE: police officer, police chief, and the director of student housing. Boyd LeJeune resigned effective March 29th.
 - Working with the summer and fall admits and meeting with Ethan Lipsey about orientations.
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Respectfully submitted by Erin Weilbaecher

The Next Meeting will be Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 9:00 AM
