

To: President's Cabinet
From: Denise M. Trauth
Subject: President's Cabinet Meeting
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Organizational Structures as Related to Outcomes

Drs. Beth Wuest and Ana Lisa Garza met with Cabinet members to discuss the progress in preparations for the SACS Fifth-Year Report due in March 2016, and the Ten-Year Reaffirmation that will take place in 2019, noting that the recently issued UPPS 01.03.04 has guided these preparations. Dr. Wuest indicated that administrative, academic, and student support outcomes will need to be prepared in a slightly different form than in the past. Dr. Garza has reviewed these areas to identify places where additional outcomes assessment and reporting needs to be implemented. Cabinet members agreed on the additional steps that need to be taken, noting that careful attention needs to be directed toward updating organizational charts and assuring consistency between these charts and language in the UPPS. Drs. Wuest and Garza will provide an updated list of affected offices to Cabinet members. Dr. Wuest also provided an update on the two-year progress report on the University Plan and the recent development of a set of key performance indicators.

RTA 7/28/14 Strategic Plan (#13) Guests: Drs. Beth Wuest and Ana Lisa Garza Review progress on process for reviewing and updating the University Plan.

50th Anniversary of the Signing of the Higher Education Act (#572)

Provost Bourgeois reported on the planned November 2015 celebration, including academic components, noting that he had a contact with U. S. Secretary of Education Arnie Duncan and his staff members during their visit to Austin. The Secretary and his staff expressed an interest in participating in this special event. Provost Bourgeois suggested a steering committee with Dr. Ron Brown as a co-chair. President Trauth asked Cabinet members to suggest steering committee members as well as a co-chair from another division.

RTA 9/1/14 Continue discussion of the planned November 2015 celebration.

Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) (#607)

Mr. Nance shared information about continuing development of the FY 2016 and FY 2017 LAR that is due to The Texas State University System Office on August 5, 2014. He noted that we provided a draft administrator's statement and our proposed Special Items and Exceptional Items and have already received feedback on the administrator's statement. Mr. Nance reported that the Legislative Budget Board has now provided LAR instructions, and we have added a paragraph in response. We expect additional feedback from the System Office on Special Items and Exceptional Items soon. Cabinet members offered suggestions for revisions.

Development Update (#588)

Dr. Breier noted that this report will continue to reflect collections on Pride in Action pledges for some time to come. She noted that we have completed the transition to Razor's Edge software and are doing some final clean-up. Reports in the new reporting formats should be available soon. Provost Bourgeois noted that he will invite Mr. Dan Perry to an August 2014 Cabinet meeting to provide an Endowment Compliance Report.

RTA 8/4/14 Endowment Compliance Report Guest: Mr. Dan Perry Review an Endowment Compliance Report.

President's Update (#556)

President Trauth reported that she and Dr. Huffman saw "All the Way," with Mr. Bryan Cranston on Broadway. This play treats the first year of Lyndon B. Johnson's administration, including Civil Rights legislation. She believes this play will come to Austin, and she would like to schedule an event around this performance.

Significant Issues (#01)

Provost Bourgeois reported that New Student Orientation is going very well, with very high participation and registration. Freshmen registration is on track, transfer students acceptances are up, and housing appears to be booked solid for the fall 2014 semester.

Dr. Breier noted that Retired Faculty and Staff President Ms. Marian Loep has written to Dr. Gratz regarding the UPPS on retiree benefits.

Dr. Breier reported that she has met with AT&T representatives regarding AT&T's possible involvement with Texas State.

Dr. Hustvedt noted that she is working on plans for her ACE Fellowship. She expressed her thanks to Cabinet members for their help during her term as Presidential Fellow. President Trauth and Cabinet members commended Dr. Hustvedt for her excellent work.

Dr. Smith reported that she recently held her first Retention Council meeting. The group reviewed current activities and trends and will meet monthly.

The Campus Clarity program material has been received for review.

Dr. Smith is monitoring new apartments and when they will be opening for occupants.

Guaranteed Price Plan (#677)

Mr. Nance reported that only three students have signed up for the Guaranteed Price Plan. He indicated that we have uncovered a recent apparent identity theft fraud involving a stolen credit card from a Pennsylvania resident used for a graduate enrollments in online courses with subsequent applications for refunds. State and federal law enforcement officers are investigating.

Title IX (#704)

The Texas State University System's Title IX group will meet here to review a proposed policy statement.

AASCU Distinguished Alumnus Award (#10)

Dr. Gratz noted that the President had received AASCU's invitation for nominations for the AASCU Distinguished Alumnus Award. Cabinet members agreed the Texas State will not submit a nomination this year.

Disabled Student Services Policy (#117)

Dr. Teis asked for a future Cabinet discussion of disabled student services and camps. Dr. Smith noted that we are moving toward the use of captioning instead of interpreters in lower division courses.

RTA 7/28/14 Guest: Ms. Nellie Herrera Discuss current disabled student services policies and practices, including those for individuals and groups contracting to use university facilities for camps.

Athletic Issues (#636)

President Trauth indicated that she has asked Drs. Teis and Gratz to prepare some background information for a future Cabinet discussion of a variety of athletics options that are being discussed as part of NCAA governance changes.

RTA 8/4/14 Discuss athletics options that are being considered as part of NCAA governance changes.

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