To: President’s Cabinet  
From: Denise M. Trauth  
Subject: President’s Cabinet Meeting  
December 14, 2015

Facilities Planning/Campus Master Plan (#91)

At 9:30 a.m., Mr. Algoe and guest, Ms. Nancy Nusbaum, presented the three phase Campus Master Plan and the deliverables associated with each phase. The three phases include: Phase 1–Discovery: Strategy Formation and Physical Inventory; Phase 2–Scenarios: Analysis and Framework, Scenario Planning; and Phase 3–Outcomes. Also discussed was the proposed committee structure and membership. During the discussion, Cabinet members agreed that Dr. Cynthia Opheim and Mr. Algoe will be added as members to the core Campus Master Plan team and Cabinet members will meet with the executive committee each time they are on campus. President Trauth agreed to send appointment letters to committee members. Cabinet members suggested several additions to the list of expectations for the Campus Master Plan including the following: upgraded baseball and softball facilities; office space; space for the academic programs currently under consideration; relocation of the soccer operations office area; space for athletic academic center; Athletic Events Center; upgrades to the Comanche and Woods Street intersection; space for student support services; research support services office at the Round Rock Campus; consideration of plan for Elliott Hall; expansion of McCoy College of Business Administration building; relocation of University Police Department from Nueces building; Music Building; new front entrance near Jones Dining Hall, Woods Street, and Alkek Parking Garage; creating an environment that encourages wellness; additional residential housing for sophomores, graduate, and international students; and increasing the community space for students to gather. Ms. Nusbaum agreed to revise documents to reflect the discussion and provide a new Campus Master Plan information packet to Cabinet members. This portion of the Cabinet meeting was continued until 3:30 p.m., when Cabinet members will meet with the Campus Master Plan consultants.

President’s Update (#556)

President Trauth provided copies of the 2010-2015 Texas State University Progress Report.

Significant Issues (#01)

Mr. Algoe provided an update on the Bobcat Trail construction and timeline for completion.

Mr. Algoe provided information about SB 20 that no longer allows the use of a notice to proceed and instead requires receipt of official approval by the Board of Regents before beginning a construction project. Mr. Algoe anticipates that this change will add six to 10 weeks to a construction project.

Mr. Algoe discussed the San Marcos hands-free ordinance that will go into effect in San Marcos on February 1, 2016. After discussion, Mr. Algoe agreed to draft a similar policy for our campus and bring it back to President’s Cabinet for consideration. Dr. Smith agreed to consider creating an educational campaign to prepare our students for the implementation of the new ordinance.
RTA 4/4/2016 Hands-Free Policy for Texas State  Discuss draft of hands-free policy for Texas State University property.

Dr. Smith announced that the Muslim Student Organization will be meeting to discuss any problems encountered on campus or in San Marcos.

Dr. Smith provided a status report on the search for a new Chief of the University Police Department.

Commencement (#143)

Provost Bourgeois discussed the use of the new staffing model at the December 2015 commencement ceremonies. During discussion Cabinet members made suggestions to improve future commencement ceremonies.

Staff Evaluation/Appraisal System (#416)

Mr. Algoe provided an update on the implementation of the new Performance Management System.

Student Regent, TSUS (#597)

Dr. Smith announced that a Student Regent application had been received.

Campus Carry (#720)

Dr. Brittain provided an update on the Campus Carry Task Force.

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At 3:30 p.m., Mr. Algoe introduced guests, Mr. Doug Kozma, Principal with SmithGroupJJR, Team Leader, Campus Planner; Ms. Mary Jukuri, Principal with SmithGroupJJR, Campus Planner and Landscape Architect; Mr. Doug Lowe, President of Facilities Programming and Consulting, Space Planner; Mr. Chris Rice, Principal with VisSpiro Strategies, Architect; Ms. Nancy Nusbaum, and Mr. Juan Guerra. Mr. Kozma presented the three phase plan that will be followed to develop the Campus Master Plan. He described a communication tool, called IT–Virtual Town Hall that will be used as a part of the information gathering strategy at Texas State. As a group, the consultant team reviewed and requested input regarding the major objectives and goals associated with the development of the new Campus Master Plan and future unknowns that may impact Texas State. The consultant team discussed the next steps in the development of the new Campus Master Plan.

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