

To: President's Cabinet
From: Denise M. Trauth
Subject: President's Cabinet Meeting
February 23, 2015

Board of Regents' Follow-Up (#57)

Mr. Nance provided a follow-up report of the February 19-20, 2015, meeting of the Board of Regents.

Chancellor's Meeting with the Presidents Follow-Up (#623)

President Trauth reported that Chancellor Brian McCall asked the Presidents about the succession plan in place should they be unable to serve. In response, President Trauth identified Provost Bourgeois as the first successor and Mr. Nance as the second in succession.

President Trauth reported that Chancellor McCall provided a new template that would be used in future Presidential evaluations.

President Trauth reported that Chancellor McCall would like for Texas State University to have at least three nominees for the student regent position for 2016. After discussion, Cabinet members asked that this topic be returned to the Cabinet agenda to discuss the process used to identify nominees for a student regent position.

RTA 4/1/15: Discuss process used to identify nominees for a student regent position and recommended changes.

President Trauth reported that Chancellor McCall reviewed the Student Advisory Board Report, informed her of staff changes in his office, and indicated that changes were being considered, by The Texas State University System, to the way in which the System vets "Grow Your Own Nominations."

President Trauth reported that The Texas State University System is doing a system-wide review of insurance for students studying abroad and is considering the creation of a uniform system-wide policy on the topic. Also being considered is a rule that would not allow students to go to certain countries identified by the U. S. State Department on its Travel Advisory list.

President Trauth reported that The Texas State University System has begun a Safety and Security Initiative and provided a handout that was given to the Presidents about the topic. After discussion, Cabinet members asked that this topic be returned to the agenda with Mr. Nance being asked to create a plan to present to Cabinet to comply with this initiative.

RTA 3/6/15: Discuss proposed plan to comply with The Texas State University System Safety and Security Initiative.

Standards for Donor Recognition on Doors at University

Dr. Breier informed the Cabinet of the existence of branded signage concepts/images that currently exist on doors in both academic and non-academic buildings and locations on campus and suggested that a policy be developed to regulate this practice. During the discussion, Mr. Nance reported that there is a campus construction standard in UPPS 08.03.01 that may be relevant to this topic. After discussion, the Cabinet agreed that academic buildings on campus need to maintain a respectful presence and should be treated differently from a non-academic building in any future policy. Cabinet members asked that this topic be returned to the Cabinet for further discussion and asked Dr. Breier to draft policy recommendations to be considered at that meeting.

RTA 4/1/15: Discuss creation of a policy to regulate branded signage concepts/images in academic and non-academic buildings and locations on campus.

Board of Regents' Rules and Regulations (#12)

Dr. Brittain reviewed proposed changes to the Regents' Rules and Regulations that relate to Chapter III, Section 22, Sexual Misconduct Policy, Appendix A-6, describing the proposed changes as non-substantive in nature. After discussion, Cabinet approved the proposed changes and asked that the proposed changes be sent to The Texas State University System's office for consideration.

Round Rock Campus – 10th Year Celebration (#685)

Mr. Nance provided Cabinet members with a presentation from Facilities on extension seating and landscaping improvements to enhance the Round Rock Campus prior to the 10th anniversary celebration in the fall 2015. After discussion, Cabinet members approved adding a new sign, refreshing the landscaping, and adding five benches.

President's Update (#556)

President Trauth announced that she will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Article III on the topic of research funds.

President Trauth reported that she is reviewing the informational handbook on free speech that has been developed.

Significant Issues (#01)

Dr. Breier announced that her office is preparing a weekly summary of news items about Texas State and offered to send Cabinet members the summary electronically.

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