

To: President's Cabinet
From: Denise M. Trauth
Subject: President's Cabinet Meeting
Minutes, March 31, 2014

Legislative Agenda (#2)

Vice Chancellor Sean Cunningham, Associate Vice Chancellor Mike Wintemute, and Deputy Vice Chancellor Daniel Harper met with the Cabinet to discuss Texas State's agenda for 84th Legislative Session and preparation of the Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) to be submitted in summer 2014. Vice Chancellor Cunningham noted that his office is monitoring the work of Interim Committees. Currently, the position of Senate Finance Committee Chair is vacant since former Senator Tommy Williams resigned to move to the Texas A&M University System. House Appropriations Committee Chair Jim Pitts retired. House Higher Education Committee Chair Dan Branch is in a runoff for the Attorney General's position; Vice Chair Diane Patrick was defeated in the primary. Thus, many committee processes are moving at a different pace than in the past. Vice Chancellor Cunningham asked that if we want to provide expert testimony to any of the Interim Committees, we notify him via email.

Deputy Vice Chancellor Harper reported that the System Office is focusing on formula funding, capital needs, financial aid, and Hazlewood costs. He noted that in the LAR, two very important areas are the administrator's statement and special and exceptional item requests. He suggested that Presidential testimony should reflect the content presented in the administrator's statement. He also suggested that in our requests for special and exceptional items we include a request for all current items, one new item, and new tuition revenue bond requests. Again, these requests should be reflected in the administrator's statement. Cabinet members discussed a potential exceptional item request related to the ongoing development of STAR Park.

Transportation and Parking Issues (#538)

Ms. Nancy Nusbaum and Mr. Stephen Prentice met with President's Cabinet to continue discussion of proposals for special event parking previously distributed at the March 3, 2014, meeting. Ms. Nusbaum offered four specific proposals related to special event parking as well as a number of recommended changes related to current parking permit fees and policies. Cabinet members endorsed the four recommended special event proposals and proposed changes in traffic and parking regulations. Cabinet did not endorse any reductions in fees.

President's Update (#556)

President Trauth also reported that she has asked Mr. Nance to prepare a list of new staff positions over the past three years to be considered as part of her review of new staff position requests.

Significant Issues (#01)

Mr. Nance announced that the new Managing @ Texas State classes are scheduled for April 17, 2014, and April 24, 2014.

Beverage Pouring Contract (#425)

Dr. Teis asked for the beverage pouring contract to be added to a future agenda.

RTA 4/9/14 Discuss the beverage pouring contract.

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