Board of Regents (BOR) Rules and Regulations (#12)

Dr. Brittain provided a summary of the proposed changes to the Board of Regents Rules and Regulations. After discussion, Cabinet approved the submission of the following proposed rule changes: Chapter I, Section 6, Subsection 6.7 rule relating to Component Master Plan Committees; Chapter V, Section 4, Subsection 4.9, Paragraph 4.94 rule relating to Emeritus Status; and Chapter VII, Section 4, Subsection 4.5 rule relating to prohibition of weapons.

Class Ring (#722)

Dr. Smith reported that an email was sent to all students with images of the three new ring design options and information about the online voting option. The students selected the “supercat” design. Cabinet discussed a desire to obtain alumni input in the decision process. Dr. Breier agreed to consult alumni and report back to Cabinet. The new ring design will be available for the fall 2016 graduating class.

RTA 4/4/16 Discuss alumni feedback about design of class ring.

IT Top 10 Investment Areas

Mr. Pierce provided a handout that contained the top 10 information technology investment areas and discussed plans in each area.

Mobile Strategy

Mr. Pierce discussed mobile services and described the Texas State University mobile apps that are currently in the Google Play Store. Mr. Pierce discussed the collection of mobile apps that currently exist explaining that many have overlapping functionality. He suggested that a better approach would be to design a suite of apps and implement a uniform marketing approach.

Comp & Classification Systems (#162)

Mr. Algoe discussed compensation time, the different policies that exist within different divisions, and the impact of the proposed, new Federal Labor Standards Act rules. After discussion, Cabinet members agreed that a more uniform policy approach to compensation time within the various divisions would be beneficial and decided to begin the process with the development of a uniform policy regarding compensation time related to off-campus travel.

RTA 4/18/16 Discuss development of uniform compensation time policy as related to off-campus travel.
President’s Update (#556)

President Trauth encouraged cabinet members to schedule staff meetings as needed during the month of March.

Significant Issues (#01)

Provost Bourgeois reported that freshmen applications for admissions for fall 2016 were up and that transfer applications were down.

Mr. Algoe discussed a new employee on-boarding program that will be implemented.

Mr. Algoe announced that Human Resources has added a new service to assist in facilitating difficult conversations.

Mr. Algoe described the possible location and design of the proposed field house building. After discussion it was determined that a process needed to be created that will include presentation of external sketches and enumeration of relevant questions that need to be answered before a specific location is determined including consultation with the Department of Athletics, University Advancement, and Academic Affairs to address parking issues, aesthetics, band practice area and storage for equipment, and impact on tailgating or possible use for tailgating.

Dr. Breier provided information about the upcoming Lonesome Dove events and asked Cabinet members to let her know their travel plans.

Dr. Smith passed out copies of the book, Guyland.

Dr. Smith reported that the referendum to increase student fees to renovate the LBJ Student Center passed.

Dr. Smith announced that there was a good turnout for the Student Government election and that the vote was not final yet due to an unresolved voter violation allegation.

Dr. Smith discussed the notification process involved when there is a death of a student.

Commencement (#143)

Provost Bourgeois announced that attendees at the commencement ceremonies will be allowed to bring food and non-alcoholic drinks into the building. Mr. Algoe reported that Chartwells is considering menu options for commencement ceremonies that will reduce the amount of spillage and trash and that he will bring those options to a future cabinet meeting for consideration.

Holiday Schedule/Energy Conservation (#89)

Mr. Algoe provided Cabinet members with a draft of the FY17 Holiday Schedule.
Cats’ Caravan (#712)

Dr. Breier reported that Cats Caravan events were going well.

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