Performing Arts Center (#668)

Dean Tim Mottet and Ms. Mary Ann Mendoza led a final review of activities associated with dedication week events. Final rehearsals and walkthroughs are scheduled over the next several days.

Pride in Action Campaign (#209)

Dr. Breier noted that we have previously discussed University fundraising priorities after the Pride in Action Campaign concludes. Dr. Smith shared details about three major areas of emphasis in the Student Programs section: leadership, student success, and career development. Cabinet members agreed that we should add Residential College to the Student Success list. President Trauth asked whether programs associated with treatment of addiction and recovery fall under the counseling and wellness area or whether such programs require additional language. Cabinet members endorsed several additions to the “Facilities” area, including the LBJ Student Center, Student Recreational Facilities, and the University Events Center (Strahan). President Trauth asked Dr. Breier to consider how we should address the ongoing desire of many alumni for an alumni center, contingent on funding by external resources.

University Anti-Discrimination Policy (#611)

Dr. Smith shared a revision of the talking points she had developed in collaboration with Dr. Hustvedt. Cabinet members endorsed the talking points and agreed that the proposed changes in 01.01’s new language should become effective immediately with changes in publications ads, etc. implemented as soon as possible. Dr. Gratz will provide details of these changes to Dr. Garza.

President’s Update (#556)

President Trauth noted that the Legislative Appropriations Request needs to be on the next agenda.

President Trauth reported that we are exploring the possibility of a faculty-staff dining room as part of the Jones Dining Hall renovation. Provost Bourgeois observed that several faculty members are now dining at Commons Cafeteria.

President Trauth said that Provost Bourgeois will provide information that he is developing for the Cabinet Retreat about the changing nature of 18-year-olds in Texas.
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President Trauth noted that she has spoken with the Director of the LBJ Library, and after their major April 2014 conference she will speak with him again about ways to collaborate on other events celebrating the 50th anniversary of LBJ Presidential accomplishments.

**Significant Issues (#01)**

Provost Bourgeois noted that he recently shared a draft of the Research Plan. He will mention this plan at the Board of Regents’ meeting, then will focus his presentation on three of the companies at STAR Park. We expect to submit the Research Plan to the Coordinating Board by Spring Break. The Research Plan identifies two different sets of peer institutions.

Dr. Breier indicated that her area is looking forward to the Pride in Action Campaign Celebration and the internal Family Campaign celebration.

Dr. Wyatt reported that Microsoft support for Windows XP is ending as of April 8, 2014, so Information Technology (IT) is working to assure that the more than 700 XP machines we still have on campus are upgraded or replaced as necessary. He noted that the easiest upgrade is to move to Windows 7, but some very old machines cannot use this upgrade. Some older courseware is also incompatible, and IT is providing assistance in addressing migrations to new software upon request.

Dr. Smith reported that two students were recently the victims of the latest scam when an individual approached them promising that if they paid $100 cash to him, they would receive a tuition discount at the Cashiers Office and at other campus offices. She asked any Cabinet members who hear of a similar situation to report it to Student Affairs.

Dr. Smith reported that ASG recently received the results of an analysis by a national organization that provided a number of recommendations.

Dr. Smith announced that May 1, 2014, is the date for an campus event celebrating the 50th anniversary of African American women trailblazers.

Dr. Teis reported that a leak in the football stadium is being repaired, and the repairs will be completed before a scheduled event during the Board meeting.

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