Budget Planning

Mr. Algoe discussed proposed tuition and fee increases for fiscal year 2021 and fiscal year 2022.

Strategic Plan (#13)

Provost Bourgeois and guests Drs. Beth Wuest and Lisa Garza reviewed feedback received on the first draft of the mid-cycle review of the 2017-2023 University Plan. Cabinet members discussed making reporting consistent across Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). As appropriate, current KPIs will be compared to those from the prior year. Cabinet members approved the modifications to the draft plan.

Commencement (#143)

Provost Bourgeois and guest Dr. Vedaraman Sriraman discussed transportation issues associated with C. M. Allen Parkway construction, Sights and Sounds of Christmas, and the Jingle Bell Run that may have some impact on the upcoming commencement ceremonies.

Digital Signage

Due to a lack of time, this item was moved to a future cabinet meeting.

RTA: 12/2/19 Discuss digital signage on campus.

President’s Update (#556)

President Trauth announced that the NCAA will start the process of enhancing student-athlete’s opportunities to benefit from the use of their name, image, and likeness. President Trauth asked Dr. Teis to return this item to a President’s Cabinet meeting when the NCAA bylaws and policies are updated.

Significant Issues (#01)

Provost Bourgeois announced that the launch of the new mobile-first university homepage has been moved back two weeks to December 2, 2019, in an effort to not interfere with the launch of Canvas, Texas State’s new learning management system.

Dr. Johnson provided an update on two research activities related to his presidential fellowship project on retention. Specifically, the College of Science and Engineering Undergraduate Research Fellowship will seek to engage 20 at-risk students in faculty-led research teams. Data
will be collected and analyzed to determine the effectiveness of engaged research on student retention. A similar research project will be conducted with students in the College of Applied Arts. Results of these pilot projects will be incorporated into multimillion-dollar grant proposals submitted to the Mellon and Ford Foundations to expand research-and-retention efforts across the university.

Provost Bourgeois announced that he has convened a Retention Task Force.

Mr. Algoe discussed options for a public-private partnership to build future student housing on the San Marcos Campus.

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