

To: President's Cabinet
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Internal Communications (#561)

President Trauth discussed the need for regular, comprehensive, university-level, and direct communication with faculty, staff, and students. Dr. Breier reviewed current strategies and proposed TXST CONNECTIONS, an internal newsletter, with a launch date of January 24, 2019, and to be released every two weeks thereafter. Dr. Breier shared a sample newsletter with Cabinet members. Cabinet members suggested topics for the newsletter such as new academic programs, student government task force, safety and security, immigration attorney, mental health services, challenges to and benefits of becoming a Carnegie Classification R1 - Doctoral University, growing enrollment and retention efforts, Round Rock Campus news, and the Council on Inclusive Excellence.

RTA: June 10, 2019 Dr. Breier will provide an update and review of internal newsletter.

BRG Boards on Campus

Mr. Pierce reviewed and discussed a proposal regarding the approximately 500 BRG message/display boards in university office areas and classrooms. Purchased in 2008, these boards were intended to serve as a common clock and act as an emergency notification system. Over the last decade, there have been technological advancements in emergency management, making these boards outdated. In light of this, Mr. Peirce proposed to use the boards as clocks only and purchase a more updated emergency notification broadcast system. Cabinet members suggested that Mr. Pierce discuss the proposal with key constituent groups, including Council of Academic Deans, Council of Chairs, and Faculty Senate.

Campus Recreation

Dr. Smith shared a proposal for expanding recreational services to students enrolled only at the Round Rock Campus which will be supported by collection of the Campus Recreation Fee from these students. Dr. Smith noted that for fall 2018, more than 1,000 students fell in this category. Dr. Smith shared that currently, a recreation field is being built and a staff position will be assigned to Round Rock. Some recreation activities will be available to all students at Round Rock during the 2019-2020 school year. Cabinet members supported the payment of the Campus Recreation Fee each term from Round Rock only students beginning Fall 2019.

President's Update (#556)

President Trauth discussed the results of a recent audit. As a result, President Trauth requested that each Cabinet member compile a report of fees assessed to students in their respective

divisions. President Trauth also reminded Cabinet members that all new fees and fee increases must be submitted to her for review and approval.

Significant Issues (#01)

Provost Bourgeois provided a preliminary update on grants recently awarded.

Provost Bourgeois announced that General John M. Murray will be the speaker at one of Texas State's May 2019 commencement ceremonies.

Dr. Breier provided a preliminary development update.

Mr. Peirce provided a construction update on the fourth floor of the Albert B. Alkek Library.

Dr. Smith provided a construction update on the LBJ Student Center and announced that George's and Chick-fil-A will open by the start of the spring 2019 semester.

Dr. Smith announced that the 35th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Celebration will be held September 22, 2019.

Dr. Teis provided an update on Texas State men's and women's basketball teams.

Dr. Teis discussed the Sunbelt Conference men's and women's basketball scheduling policy and the implications it has on scheduling alumni events.

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