

To: President's Cabinet
From: Denise M. Trauth
Subject: President's Cabinet Meeting
January 12, 2015

Diversity Report (#711)

Dr. Gilda Garcia presented a revised draft of the Diversity Report that is being prepared for submission to The Texas State University System. Suggestions were made concerning the presentation of HUB information and other editorial changes. After discussion, the Cabinet approved the report with the suggested changes.

GSMP Vision 2020 Steering Committee

Provost Bourgeois reported that the Greater San Marcos Partnership (GSMP) had completed Phase I – Competitive Assessment and Phase II – Target Business Analysis, of its Greater San Marcos Vision 2020 project. He explained that GSMP was now working on a strategy map and he anticipated that GSMP will provide both a strategy document and an implementation document in the future. In response to a question, Provost Bourgeois said that at one time GSMP had discussed a regional high school initiative but the initiative was no longer under consideration.

One-Time-Only Funding Requests (#693)

Mr. Nance reviewed a handout that listed one-time funding requests noting that the total amount of the requests exceeded the total one-time funds available. Cabinet members discussed each request and made recommendations on funding priorities.

Merrick Funds (#44)

Mr. Nance reviewed a handout that listed Merrick fund distribution proposals for FY15, noting that the total amount of the proposals exceeded the total Merrick funds available. Cabinet members discussed each request and made recommendations on funding priorities.

Door Access Upgrades (#684)

Dr. Smith reviewed a handout with information about implementation of the JCK Door Access Project with an April 1, 2015, implementation date. The Cabinet approved the implementation plan and recommended that all staff employees working in JCK be given after-hour access but that a specific list be created for student after-hour access approval.

President's Update (#556)

President Trauth reported that two class action lawsuits have been filed alleging that the NCAA and various athletic conferences have engaged in prohibited restraint of trade activities.

Significant Issues (#01)

Mr. Nance reported that he was in communication with The Texas State University System's legal department relative to the budget needs of the TSUS General Counsel's office located on the Texas State University campus.

Mr. Nance reported that Texas State University was favorably cited in the Princeton Review's Guide to Green Colleges and he provided Cabinet members with a copy of the article.

Mr. Nance provided an update on the City of San Marcos change of plan regarding street repair.

Dr. Breier reminded Cabinet members about the breakfast event for alumni working in State of Texas agencies that will be held on January 29, 2015.

Dr. Breier announced that a Hero Reception will be held at the President's house on February 28, 2015, to honor Mr. and Mrs. Michael and Dianne Bowman. The reception will follow the basketball games and the attire will be fan attire.

Dr. Breier announced that there will be an alumni reception in New Orleans on March 10, 2015, before the Sun Belt Conference Basketball Championship games begin.

Dr. Breier announced that there will be a Texas State University System Night at the Houston Livestock and Rodeo on March 14, 2015.

Dr. Feakes announced that new faculty orientation sessions will begin on January 13, 2015.

Dr. Wyatt announced that he will retire at the end of August 2015. After expressing her appreciation for Dr. Wyatt's service to the University, President Trauth announced that Dr. Breier will chair the search committee to search for Dr. Wyatt's replacement. President Trauth asked Cabinet members to send her names of individuals to serve as members of the search committee.

Dr. Smith announced that there will be a hospitality room for the parents of new students during the spring 2015 new student orientation sessions.

Dr. Smith announced that there will be a Student Affairs retreat to discuss campus climate, retention, and to begin a campus-wide conversation that will tie into our Common Experience theme.

Dr. Brittain reminded Cabinet members to send their input to include in the President's Briefing document that is being prepared for the February 2015 meeting of The Texas State University System Board of Regents.

Provost Bourgeois provided a handout to Cabinet members that contained the nondiscrimination language paragraph that The Texas State University System had approved for insertion into all transactional documents.

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