

PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING

Monday, November 30, 2015

9 – 11 a.m.

President's Office –SSB 440A

Present: Anthony Grant, Cathy Lucas, James Lyall, Sheila Rucki, Ruth Ann Nyhus, Emily Davies, Liz Hinde, Sandra Haynes, President Jordan, Vicki Golich, Percy Morehouse, Steve Kreidler, George Middlemist, Luis Torres, Ann Murphy, John Burtness, Cristian Solano, Carol Svendsen

Absent: Myron Anderson, Loretta Martinez,

Substitutions: Amy Bechtum for John Kietzmann, Marina Pereira for Joan Foster

Guests: Tiffany Snell, Stacey DeFore

AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2015

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. There were no changes. A voice vote was held and the minutes were **approved**.

2. Commencement Update (Lucas, P. Olivier)

Commencement will be at the Convention Center this time. Cathy Lucas introduced Tiffany Snell, special events students and Stacey DeFore, director of government relations and university events. Fall Commencement will be at 9 a.m. in Halls A and B. Tiffany showed the Commencement website, which is updated constantly. The assembly area is in Hall B. Platform party will be in room 110. Breakfast will begin at 6:30 a.m.. Marshalls check in at 7 a.m., Marshalls' rehearsal is at 7:15 a.m. The ceremony starts at 9 a.m. sharp. Graduates will have a name card that is scanned showing their name as they cross the stage. Business and SOE will walk first, then CPS and the second LAS column. Masters' hoodings will not be a part of the ceremony. Tiffany offered parking vouchers. They are expecting about 1,500 students will walk. Cathy has received 5 or 6 graduating student stories; a news release will go out next week and something will be in The Daily as well. Alumni is handling volunteers and have 45 – we have 75 Marshalls, more than the 40 they hoped for

3. Shared Governance Update (Dr. Jordan, Golich)

President Jordan stated that he and Provost Golich have been talking to AGB Consultant Steve Reno, and are setting a date for him to return and meet with Deans and Chairs for a collective perspective on shared governance. He would also meet with VP Kreidler and COA, CSC. Deans meet on Wednesdays, so that is the day they are working on. Chairs will meet with him anyway, but Dr. Jordan

offered COC time with Mr. Reno as well in case a larger view by chairs is needed. He will be here more than one day. Once we have a date confirmed, we will send out.

4. Regular Occurring Updates

A. President's Update (Dr. Jordan)

Board meetings are this week; committees are on Thursday and the Board meets on Friday. CHU will be a topic. There is a significant bond issuance for the AES Building for them to discuss as well. Their agenda has a lot of academic items from the ASA group. Friday and Saturday night is the Holiday Card to the City. President Jordan said it is a great family event.

We are starting our legislative outreach and have meetings set up over the next several weeks. Discussions include CHU and the funding formula. On the Federal side, the Secretary of Education is leaving. The Undersecretary Jamie Studley for post-secondary education is also leaving. We worked with her on the undocumented student tuition rate. There has been no announcement as to her replacement yet. They have discussed a pilot program for undocumented students. Dr. Jordan will have a phone meeting with the Undersecretary in Dec. President Jordan has liked working with her.

The JBC hearing will be the first week in January. They group institutions together, and they grouped us with Colorado Mesa University. December 14 is the Capital Development Committee meeting.

Cathy added that there will be a legislative reception in January, and caucuses start in February.

The Lt. Governor is coming to the Board Meeting on Friday to talk about retention and graduation issues and the hospital provider fee.

B. Theme I – Student and Academic Success

i. Education Quality(Golich)

Provost Golich was impressed with the production of God's Country. It was a powerful performance.

There will be a presentation from the online learning team on their status. The CARE Team will also present their work.

President Jordan noted some changes to the Trustees that are expected; Dawn Bookhardt has served two terms, we are not sure if she will be reappointed. Rob Cohen has served two terms and will not be reappointed. Walter Isenberg is also up for reappointment, and is likely to be reappointed.

1. **HSI Update** (Torres)
(See Update below)

C. Theme II – Urban Land Grant University

- i. MSU Denver Neighborhood update** (Kreidler)
(see Update below)

D. Theme III – University Culture

- i. Campus Climate** (Anderson)
(no report)

E. Theme IV – University Resources

- i. Budget Update** (Kreidler)
(no report)

- ii. Advancement/Fundraising** (Burtness)
(See Update below)

F. Telling the MSU Denver Story

- i. Strategic Communications and Branding** (Lucas)
Cathy noted that the RAVE system is currently an opt-in system. They are looking at changing that. Dr. Jordan said that everyone needs to be informed, and it should be mandatory. Cathy said they will phase it in with staff first, then students.
There will be a story in the Denver Post about Dr. Jordan and what he's done for MSU Denver over the last 10 years. Marketing and Communications will also be re-doing the MSU Denver website and they have an RFP out for that. They are developing strategies for Chairs to use online to increase retention as well.
Dr. Jordan added that Auraria has a mandatory immunization system; CCD is trying to opt out of it. He thinks all of campus needs to be immunized and we should not allow 25% of the campus population to not be immunized. It is what is best for all Auraria students.

Updates

Luis Torres – After last Cabinet, Luis mentioned that the HSI report is in progress. The report has gone out to the Task Force for review and comment. It has now gone to the editor. They are seeking a different perspective and a user-friendly presentation.

John Burtness – in everyone's mailbox is a faculty and staff solicitation. This invites everyone to give to a scholarship fund. We have a \$192,000 matching grant from the state. Tomorrow is a national giving day. Colorado Gives day is a week from tomorrow. Any gift that goes to a scholarship fund will qualify for the match, whether during the

federal or state drives. The match runs through the end of the academic year. John stated that they have several gifts in the works, one is with Lockheed Martin.

Anthony Grant – Volleyball has advanced to the NCAA Regionals. They go to San Angelo Texas. They will play U of Arkansas on the 5th at noon.

Sandra Haynes- visitors from the University of Pecs (Hungary) are in town.

Steve Kreidler – In spring there will be roadwork on Auraria Parkway again. Director of Human Resources Nicole Tefft has given her resignation, and the position has been is posted. She may stay another month while the search runs. Steve encouraged Cabinet to refer any great HR professionals. State experience is helpful.

Dr. Jordan - stated that we will send condolences to UCCS after this weekend's tragedy down there. Next Tuesday is the Holiday Party in the Turnhalle starting at 2 pm.

Cabinet adjourned at 10:48 am.