

July 11, 2016 @ 8:30 a.m.  
Leadership Team Meeting

Absent: Darlene Williams, Marcia Hardy

- **Ron Wright:**
  - Working on computer lab replacements and updating with Windows 10.
  - MyNSU mobile updates continuing.
  
- **Marcus Jones:**
  - Getting ready to close out Student Union bridge project.
  - Doing some painting in TEC Middle Lab School.
  - Floor project in Russell Hall.
  - Core samples have been taken on Sam Sibley Drive for coming overlay project.
  - Working on driveway behind Post Office.
  - Quote for work in Academic Advising Services if \$110,000.
  - Planning for demolition of sound booth in CAPA.
  - Seating project in Turpin Stadium coming along.
  
- **Greg Burke:**
  - Track—5 named All-American; had 2<sup>nd</sup> best SLC meet ever.
  - Women's Tennis—4<sup>th</sup> straight tournament champions match.
  - Natalya Krutova—Academic All-American.
  - Baseball—3<sup>rd</sup> seed/3<sup>rd</sup> straight 19-win SLC season.
  - Working to replace 15 personnel changes within the department.
  - Purple Pandemonium ticket sales proceeding.
  - Working on Demons Unlimited Fund annual fund and sponsorships.
  - Perpetually Purple donations ongoing.
  - Victory Tour is planned and upcoming.
  - Working on grass on practice fields.
  - Had some storm damage to Turpin Stadium and Softball Complex, and \$12,000 in damage to Baseball Complex.
  - Need locker rooms for Baseball, Track, and Women's Tennis.
  - Working on Coca Cola contract.
  - Working toward selecting N-Club Hall of Fame induction class for Homecoming.
  - Upcoming is our presentation for year 2 for the NCAA AASP Grant.
  - Working on upcoming years' football scheduling.
  - Weyerhaeuser Grant.
  
- **Roni Biscoe:**
  - Learning Human Resources processes as well as Institutional Research.
  - Continuing to move SACSCOC process forward.
  
- **Greg Handel:**
  - Learning processes for Dean, College of Arts and Sciences.
  - Meeting with department heads.
  - Working with Kirsten Bartels of Scholars' College.
  - The upgrades to the sound booth in CAPA are being partially funded by a Board of Regents grant to enhance for purposes of recording.

- **Carl Jones:**
  - Focusing on work to be done with year-end close and Banner issues.
  
- **Drake Owens:**
  - Working with creative services to develop marketing materials, publications, website content and other media focused on capital fundraising efforts.
  - Development officers are continuing efforts to secure unrestricted gifts to support student scholarships.
  - The Alumni Association membership program has been redesigned and appeals to join will be distributed next week.
  - Planning is underway for fall events including an enhanced focus on the tailgating experience and Homecoming activities.
  - Plans for the Phase 1 redesign of the Academic Success Center have been completed and construction is underway.
  - \$200,000 contribution from the BoRSF received to establish 2 new Professorships and 2 First Generation Endowed Scholarships.
  - \$76,000 contribution received to establish a First Generation Endowed Scholarship and provide support for greatest areas of need.
  - Estate gift of \$75,000 received to establish 2 endowed scholarships.
  - Appeals for planned giving opportunities including charitable gift annuities and IRA rollover contributions will be distributed next month.
  - Year-end endowment activity reports are being generated for donors and will include an enhanced focus on transparency and stewardship.
  
- **Dana Clawson:**
  - Rapides Foundation Nurse Practitioner Grant was successful; \$500,000.
  - Established NSU DNP Scholarship project repository in Virginia Henderson Library of Sigma Theta Tau International.
  - Enrolled 72 new students in one week.
  - ATI—high stakes testing fees negotiated.
  - Received state board approval for expansion of ASN and BSN clinical offerings.
  - National accreditation approval for BSN clinical expansion in Natchitoches and Leesville.
  - Awaiting national accreditation approval for ASN clinical expansion in Alexandria and DeRidder.
  - Building estimates for expansion obtained.
  - New housing specifically for nursing students at LSUS being established.
  - BASAH Allied Health program rated 9<sup>th</sup> in nation.
  - Working on submission of 2 new post-baccalaureate certificate programs.
  
- **Vickie Gentry:**
  - Learning the responsibilities of Chief Academic Officer.
  - Deans are meeting regularly.
  - Working on revisions to academic appeal form.
  - Creating Endowed Professorship Policy by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Faculty In-Service to be held on August 16<sup>th</sup> during faculty on-call week.
  - New Faculty Orientation will be held on August 17<sup>th</sup>; one of the deans will be present at each campus.
  
- **Margaret Kilcoyne:**

- Impacting and engaging the community—July 11, 2016, will have three Robotic camps which are limited to 15 students each, and we are presenting and sharing robotic information with the Boys and Girls Club. Will train people to continue the program.
  - Engaging and retaining our students—July 13, 2016, will begin work to replace the floors in the computer labs and few preselected areas. Funds were garnered from alumni, donors, and a grant.
  - Recruiting and other events—On Thursday, October 20, 2016, will be hosting the 50<sup>th</sup> J. Walter Porter Forum. Corinne Hoisington and David Morgan will be our featured speakers. Corinne will present to our College of Business and Technology students and faculty members another session beginning around 12:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m., we plan to host an event that showcases what the College of Business and Technology can do for the community and our business and industry partners.
  - HMT is working collaboratively with our high school partners that have ProStart programs. This will allow high school students to come to the HMT program with some college credit. It will be modeled after the IET and PLTW program.
  - With national and local support from industry members, educators, the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) and state restaurant association partners, ProStart reaches nearly 140,000 students in more than 1,800 high schools across 50 states, the Territory of Guam and at Department of Defense Education Activity schools in Europe and the Pacific.
  - From culinary techniques to management skills, ProStart’s industry-driven curriculum provides Real-life experience opportunities and builds practical skills and a foundation that will last a lifetime.
  - PBL—took 5 students to compete at nationals in Atlanta, GA; came in 5<sup>th</sup> for Project Management, 7<sup>th</sup> in Computer Apps, and 9<sup>th</sup> in BUAD com.
- Liz Knecht:
    - No report.
  - Jerry Pierce:
    - Advertising contracts for 16-17 fiscal year.
    - Frank’s Pizza in Shreveport is getting and NSU flag.
    - Shooting and editing NSU commercial entitled, “Believe & Achieve.”
    - Compiling campus calendar; ready to print.
    - Campus signage for all buildings.
    - Kicking off “Because This is Northwestern State” campaign; interviews and publications starting to come to light.
    - Working with Journalism, New Media and Communication in designing and remodeling the editing area of NSU TV for the fall semester.
    - Working with Reatha Cox for Freshman Convocation in August and with Van Erikson with the Faculty/Staff luncheon in August. Both events to be streamed and recorded.
    - Recently helped with LSHOF weekend activities.
    - Working with Advance Camp students.
    - Studio was used by both Boys and Girls State.
    - FTP footage of NSU BPCC signing and NCAA track footage.
    - Helped with Freshman Connection.
    - Hosted the HOF basketball/football and speakers clinics at the WRAC during the HOF weekend.
    - NSU Fun-N-Fitness Camp begins today at WRAC (first of three weeks)—have approximately 75 children (age 5-12) signed up for Week #1.
    - Informational Services has begun work on materials for the capital campaign.

- IS covered several sections of Freshman Connection and continue to highlight news and events taking place on campus this summer, such as camps, theatre productions summer workshops, PLTW, etc.
  - Continuing to work closely with Alumni, Development, and Marketing on several projects.
  - Also working with several units on campus in preparation for fall semester events, Demon Days, etc.
- **Chris Maggio:**
    - 4<sup>th</sup> Natchitoches Freshman Connection this week w/133 registered.
    - July 13<sup>th</sup> begins next phase of recruiting for fall—those who didn't attend Freshman Connection.
    - Working to get non-traditional students registered.
    - Housing—1300 beds filled and a waiting list. We continue working on the wait list daily and working with off-campus housing.
    - Working on recruiting events and dates.
- **Frances Conine:**
    - Board of Regents new law requires training for Title IX online for deans and department heads coming soon.
    - National speaker coming – Aaron Boe.
    - New processes for Title IX regarding appeals; rewritten procedures.
    - Brittney Blackwell is coordinating work on CID.
    - Summer camps done except for Band Camp.
    - Working with Ron on a way for students to confidentially report issues w/roommates, etc.
    - Working to fill vacant Job Location Development position.
    - Disability Services is working to prepare for an increase in students coming this fall.
    - Working on the Center for Inclusion and Diversity interior and program plans for fall.
- **John Pearce:**
    - New SGA President welcomed to his first meeting.
- **Wrap-up, Dr. Henderson:**
    - Budget cut \$1 million; may take \$1 million cut mid-year.
    - TOPS—will be working with those in Baton Rouge to get it fully restored.
    - Louisiana is ranked 16 out of 16 for SREB states for funding per student.
    - Varnado is offline for renovations. Need twice as much student housing as we have.
    - Begonia Perez-Mira will speak for New Student Convocation.
    - NSU Police—Jon Caliste and Craig Vercher doing an amazing job having expanded the operation and increased their visibility.
    - Growth is challenging; need to stay focused on growth and retention. Need 200+ more students for the fall.
    - Every encounter/transaction with a student is important and is a moment of truth.

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, August 1, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.