

November 2, 2015 @ 8:30 a.m.
Leadership Team Meeting

All present except for Dana Clawson.

- **Lisa Abney:**
 - Traveled south to some community colleges and made good contacts, including Nunez and Delgado.
 - Prepared Graduate Certificate in Writing for Business, Industry, and Technology; and Letter of Intent for Bachelor of Science in Environmental Chemistry for submission to the ULS Board December agenda.
 - Changes are underway for Academic Success offices in Watson Library.
 - Mentioned Faculty Appreciation on website.
 - Excellence in Teaching awards to be presented at one of the last football games. Question was asked about how they are chosen.
 - Lunch and Learn events being planned.

- **Frances Conine:**
 - Student Support Services starting new grant year.
 - Investigating the use of service animals for students with disabilities.
 - New nurse starting today in Health Services.
 - Freshman Connection Part 2 beginning. Advising assistants needed to assist Connectors in re-enrolling students.
 - Mentioned handling conduct issues and complaints.

- **Chris Maggio:**
 - Last fall at this time, 1346 applications; currently, 1750.
 - Last fall at this time, 568 admits; currently, 884, 55% increase.
 - Last fall at this time, 15 transfers; currently, 42.
 - Financial Aid doing well. Filled 2 positions. IT helping w/issues and challenges.
 - Nside View rsrvps up from 400 to 600 this year for this coming Saturday.
 - Career Services working w/Alumni.

- **Greg Burke:**
 - Fall/Winter sports revenue up 120% from tailgating.
 - Gate revenue at \$7,000; best except for Southern game.
 - Basketball should do very well.
 - Annual Etiquette Dinner coming up soon.
 - Working to triple the size of the video board in Turpin Stadium.
 - Working on replacing chair back seats in Turpin.

- **Margaret Kilcoyne:**
 - College of Business and Technology partnering with University of Libre at Cartagena, Colombia
 - Ted Jones cooking chicken for fundraiser on November 11th from 11:00 – 1:00.
 - Working on certificate program for International Business.

- **Matthew Whitaker:**
 - Movie night held in the Ballroom was a big success.
 - Meet Your Senator Day to be held on November 11th on the Kyser Brickway.
 - Will have guest speaking, Dr. Lorie Hart, on November 9th.
 - Passed resolution for fee transparency.

- To host a debate in the spring on Police Brutality; guests will be police officials and representatives of the NAACP; to be held in the Magale Recital Hall.
- **Liz Knecht:**
 - COPS audit issue over; still needs to write final report. The lesson to learn is to pay close attention to what you sign under your purview.
- **Roni Biscoe:**
 - Reviewing SACSCOC. Working on strategic plan. Standards already submitted for review. Will be submitting report soon.
 - Has been working with Frances on behavior issues.
- **Mass Bezoari:**
 - This is likely his last meeting with the Leadership Team as president of Faculty Senate. Two good candidates for Faculty Senate President are Joel Hicks and Marcia Hardy.
 - The Chemistry faculty were not consulted on the creation of the Bachelor of Science in Environmental Chemistry.
 - Mentioned that the Faculty Senate was not consulted about the advertisement for new chair of the Department of Physical Sciences.
 - Mentioned his work on the Strategic Budgeting Committee.
- **Steve Horton:**
 - Currently working through the search for Scholars' College Director.
 - Working on renovations to Micro-Biology Department in Kyser Hall.
 - Communications area being cleaned up.
 - Working on changes to commencement presentation including students' robes are now purple. Looking into rental options to save students' money. Will have extra robes on hand in case someone comes in black robe.
- **Ron Wright:**
 - Working to combine all processes for enrollment and housing to streamline the whole process.
 - Mentioned Tech Fee budgeting process in relation to the Student Success Center.
 - Working on implementing campus-wide video streaming plug-in to wall anywhere.
 - Continuing work on HR implementation.
 - Recent visits from LA Tech and Health Sciences Center to observe our IT processes and to initiate collaboration (should do press release).
- **Jerry Pierce:**
 - Met with staff in reference to marketing activities.
 - WRAC expanded hours.
 - Working on fundraising efforts.
- **Drake Owens:**
 - Hosting appreciation lunch for Physical Plant.
 - Working on mentoring program—online platform.
 - Working with PLP on reestablishing Student Alumni Association.
 - Helped coordinate Career Fest/Grad Fest—300 students came through.
 - \$700,000 spent from Gallaspy Trust for scholarships; hope to offer more next year.
 - Thank-A-Donor Day this week; donors from last 18 months will be thanked.
 - Tailgating attendance up.
 - Working on fundraising efforts.

- **Carl Jones:**
 - Continuing work on Banner HR conversion—test payrolls; conversion still set for January 2016.
 - Website for employees and other capabilities coming at a later date.
 - Timesheets will no longer be needed except for wages of labor and student employees. Will report leave.

- **Marcus Jones:**
 - Jon Caliste working on Active Shooter Training for all employees; student training took place in Student Union.
 - Hosting seminar on University of Libre student visit and welcome reception. Have almost 100 students now, and expecting 30-50 more next year.
 - Chief Rickie Williams retiring, and about to start search/interviews.

- **Vickie Gentry:**
 - Social Work site visit went well.
 - Literacy program goal set to involve at least 150 college students.
 - NSU Day @ Sci-Port set for February 20th.
 - Nicole Vasquez, teacher from Captain Shreve will be honored at last home football game.

- **Darlene Williams:**
 - NSU received the Military-Friendly status again this year.
 - 18 grant proposals submitted; we were awarded \$2.6 million—a 17% increase.
 - National Distance Learning Week; will be offering webinars; faculty/student photo competition.

- **Wrap-up, Dr. Henderson:**
 - State budget \$117 million deficit last year; will be \$400 million deficit this year. Governor will release his plan for deficit soon.
 - We must not think about retrenching; must keep focus on growth. In 1 -1½ years, we won't need to worry state deficit issues.
 - Encouraged everyone to be sure to vote.
 - Will be establishing a Diversity Center in the Student Union on the 3rd floor. The Center will provide resources for various groups.

No meeting in December 2015. Will be sending out schedule for 2016 soon.