

President's Cabinet Meeting
January 26, 2010

Members present: Steve Bergfeld, John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Michael J. Garanzini, S.J., Phil Hale, John Hardt, Jon Heintzleman, Emilio Iodice, Rob Kelly, Tom Kelly, Wayne Magdziarz, Susan Malisch, Ellen Munro, Kelly Shannon, Lorraine Snyder, Paul Whelton and Christine Wiseman

Guests: John Pelissero and Kana Wibbenmeyer

Absent: Phil Kosiba and William Laird

1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and Tom Kelly offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting were approved with a correction in item #14 that an offer has been extended to Dr. Virginia Valian.
3. Father Garanzini asked the Cabinet if there were additional items to discuss at the meeting, and Tom Kelly added that he has a benefits issue to discuss, which was then added to the agenda.
4. Kana Wibbenmeyer reviewed five phases of LSC construction plans which will take us to May 2013. Upcoming construction includes the demolition of Damen Hall, the building of the Intercollegiate Athletics Center, demolition of Alumni Gym, renovation of the interior of Gentile, construction of Cuneo Hall, construction of a Student Union, and construction of an addition to Halas.
5. Katie Shannon reviewed "Help Haiti" efforts underway around the university. 100 cash donation boxes have been distributed to date and a variety of grassroots initiatives and programs to raise money for victims of the earthquake have been launched and will continue throughout the semester. Father Garanzini suggested we include a story about these efforts in the weekly e-Inside Loyola and other publications, and Phil Hale highlighted some local friends of the university, including State Senator Kwame Raoul, who are from Haiti originally and who we might look to engage in some fashion in our "Help Haiti" programs.
6. Tom Kelly then reviewed a proposal which was circulated to the University Coordinating Committee two years ago recommending the creation of a Benefits Advisory Committee. Father Garanzini indicated that the Faculty Council is interested in having a discussion about the university's benefits, including retirement benefits. The Cabinet will review the Committee proposal at the next meeting, and Tom said that he would work with the Faculty and Staff Councils to elect members to this Committee.
7. Tom then reviewed participation to date in the employee survey, which will close on January 29. The overall participation rate is currently at 59.4% and it is hoped that we will get a 75% or so response rate by the time the survey closes.

8. In Information Sharing, Father Costello noted that a gift made to the university has established a special fund to assist needy students with scholarships beginning in the fall of 2010.
9. Rob Kelly shared that the Reimagine event on Saturday was very well-attended and went well, and he thanked the offices of Special Events and Marketing and Communications for their great work on the program. Additionally, Rob noted that on February 1 his division will launch a program encouraging faculty and staff to take a student to lunch. Lastly, he noted that there will be a townhall meeting tonight to discuss the issue of racial profiling and concerns on campus. The Cabinet discussed the need for a group that would meet regularly to discuss these kinds of topics on campus, and it was suggested that we revisit this topic at the next Cabinet meeting.
10. Susan Malisch distributed and reviewed an ITS major initiatives calendar as well as FY10 prioritization results for the third and fourth quarters.
11. Phil Hale reminded the Cabinet that the primary election will be held next week on February 2 and highlighted that about 200 Loyola students will work as equipment managers for this election.
12. Tom noted that the H1N1 vaccination clinic is being held today on the WTC and on January 29 on the LSC.
13. Donna Curin reminded the Cabinet that all materials for the March 5 Board of Trustees meeting need to be received by February 18.
14. Steve Bergfeld gave a brief update on the Cuneo property and highlighted that he and others will be meeting with the village board next week.
15. Chris Wiseman reviewed the enrollment funnel and noted that we are up 7% in freshmen applications and down 17% to date in admits. Enrollment Management projects that our yield will be up this year and that we will hit our enrollment targets.
16. Wayne Magdziarz commended Kana, Wayne Sliwa and others for the successful opening of the Corboy Law Center addition this semester. Additionally, Wayne noted that Father Peter Snieg has been named the new Rector President of St. Joseph's Seminary effective July 1.
17. Paul Whelton gave an update on administrative hires and activities at LUMC.
18. Lorraine Snyder reminded the Cabinet that the next meeting of this group will take place on a Monday, February 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.