

President's Cabinet Meeting
March 24, 2009

Members present: John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Michael J. Garanzini, S.J., Phil Hale, Jon Heintzelman, Emilio Iodice, Tom Kelly, Phil Kosiba, William Laird, Wayne Magdziarz, Ellen Munro, Lucien Roy, Richie Salmi, S.J., Kelly Shannon, Paul Whelton and Christine Wiseman

Also present: Brendan Horan, S.J., and Lorraine Snyder

Absent: Susan Malisch

1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and Jon Heintzelman offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the March 10, 2009 meeting were approved.
3. Phil Hale gave an update on the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (the stimulus bill) and its anticipated impact on higher education. Among other things, the bill will in the short term increase federal financial aid awards. Phil also briefed the Cabinet on state and federal government relations. Loyola's March 10 "Lobby Day" in Springfield, cosponsored by LUC and LUHS, included about 50 alumni and was a big success.
4. Wayne Magdziarz reviewed capital projects. He highlighted the university's interest in securing classroom space in Wright Hall on the LSC; the decommissioning of office space in Damen Hall; efforts to clean up the retail space on Chicago Avenue on the WTC; plans for the new School of Nursing building at Maywood; and plans to offer a tour of the LSC to trustees and regents in June, among other items.
5. Emilio Iodice gave an update on the university's effort to long-term lease or purchase the Rome Center property, and indicated that we were awaiting the decision of the Dominican congregation this week.
6. Kelly Shannon reviewed plans for the summer issue of Loyola magazine which will focus on the theme of service.
7. Donna Curin distributed Board of Trustee survey results.
8. Chris Wiseman reviewed enrollment figures, and highlighted that freshmen net deposits are up 6%, admits are also up 6%, and transfer net deposits are up 51%. Chris noted that the presidential scholars event for qualifying students will be held this Friday.
9. In Information Sharing, Paul Whelton indicated that LUHS CEO Michael Scheer tendered his resignation last week and that a national search will be launched for his successor. Paul added that a new Stritch Leadership Council has been established at SSOM.
10. Chris distributed the invitation for the 2009 Women's Leadership Conference which will take place on the WTC.

11. Lucien Roy handed out a postcard on Islam Awareness Week, organized in large part by the Muslim Student Association.
12. Jon Heintzelman said that the retirement party held for Marty Lane to celebrate his 40 years of service to the university went well and that there was a great turnout which included many of his family members.
13. Phil Kosiba indicated that bids for the Coffey Hall renovation project would be received next week, and he added that 36 new benches would be delivered soon and placed around the LSC.
14. Phil Hale invited the Cabinet to the April 16 conference on ethics and government, which will include a speech by Congresswoman Heather Steans.
15. Richie Salmi, S.J. informed the Cabinet that the Greek fraternity ADG has been suspended for four years. Additionally, he noted that the Damen award finalists for students and student groups will be announced today. About ten students and five or six groups will receive awards in recognition of their service to the community. Lastly, Father Salmi shared information about a shuttle service that the Chicago bar McFaddens was offering to students on the LSC. Father Garanzini indicated that he would be following up directly on this issue.
16. Bill Laird shared that the recent meeting with USAID representatives went well. Additionally, he gave an update on the Medical Center grant issue with the University of Illinois at Chicago.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.