President's Cabinet Meeting December 18, 2012

Members present: John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Michael Garanzini, S.J., Phil Hale,

John Hardt, Jon Heintzelman, Emilio Iodice, Rob Kelly, Tom Kelly, Bill Laird,

Wayne Magdziarz, Susan Malisch, Ellen Munro, John Pelissero,

Kelly Shannon, Lorraine Snyder and Kana Wibbenmeyer

Absent: Richard Gamelli

1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and Father Costello offered a prayer.

- 2. The minutes of the December 4, 2012 meeting were approved with a correction in item #2 that 750 students will graduate this month; an addition in item #9 that indicates we will move forward with the Quinlan School of Business groundbreaking pending fundraising success; and a correction in item #14 that the BRT is looking at the FY14 and not FY13 budget for cost savings.
- 3. The Cabinet reviewed the proposed Diversity Task Force membership list that we proposed by Claudio Katz, chair of the University Senate. Vice Presidents suggested adding some additional members including Chris Murphy, Sadikha Sulaiman Hara, Father Glen Chun, S.J., Sherilynn Allen, and Kristin Espinosa or someone from IR. It was suggested that first tasks for the Task Force would be to add some additional student representatives and to define an agenda for their meetings this year. Claudio and the Task Force will be asked to provide an interim report to the Cabinet in the spring.
- 4. Jon Heintzelman then distributed and reviewed the proposed Damen Award recipients for Founder's Dinner. It was suggested that a more structured process for nominating, reviewing and selecting awardees would be helpful going forward, and Father Garanzini suggested that the Cabinet was a good place for nominees to be vetted and chosen. Phil Hale suggested that it would be nice to honor the 1963 men's basketball team members in some way this year, and Jon said he would discuss that suggestion with Richard Williams.
- 5. Kelly Shannon presented options for signage on the Water Tower campus. The Cabinet highlighted the desire to brand Loyola buildings with some uniformity of signage and look. There was overall agreement that using the Loyola shield is preferable to spelling out the university's name on our downtown buildings. UMC will provide logo and brand standards to Kana Wibbenmeyer whose team will work up WTC signage options for the Cabinet to review.
- 6. Father Garanzini indicated that a replica of the Father Damen statue at St. Ignatius College Prep will be created and installed outside the new student union. He discussed the planned activities for the opening of the building, which will include a brief ribbon cutting and blessing ceremony at 9 a.m. followed by a day's worth of activities throughout the building. Senior students have requested a themed dance that evening as a prelude to the Damen Ball.
- 7. Tom Kelly then gave an update on progress with the faculty/staff lounge in the Mundelein Center. Dana Adams has convened a committee to look at décor, furniture etc. and Bill

- Heisler and the Aramark staff are looking into possibly securing a retail liquor license. Additional updates on the lounge will be shared at the next Cabinet meeting.
- 8. The Cabinet discussed holds on student registrations. About 1,600 students have not registered yet for the spring term. About 30% of these students have financial holds on their accounts, and Bill Laird, John Pelissero, Rob Kelly and others will together review these holds to help mitigate issues that are preventing students from registering. Father Garanzini indicated that we need to do a better job of advertising the University's desire to assist students in graduating, including by making resources from the hardship account available to them.
- 9. Kana gave an update on projects related to the Granada Center on the LSC. There was a discussion and suggestion that the CFSU space be re-purposed as a multifunction student space for conferences, student dance practice and more. Plans are underway to turn Mullady Theatre into a lecture hall for large classes.
- 10. Bill indicated that we are waiting to hear how "fiscal cliff" conversations progress in Washington, D.C. this month to determine if the university will need to hold the additional 2% in social security on our payroll.
- 11. Emilio Iodice shared that the JFRC received its largest gift ever, a \$900,000 gift for the Rome Center chapel and campus ministry program.

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

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