

President's Cabinet Meeting  
October 15, 2013

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Members present: Steve Bergfeld, Pam Costas, John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Richard Gamelli, Michael Garanzini, S.J., Emilio Iodice, Rob Kelly, Bill Laird, Wayne Magdziarz, Kelly Shannon and Lorraine Snyder

Guests: Chris Murphy

Absent: Phil Hale, Susan Malisch, Tom Kelly, John Pelissero and Kana Wibbenmeyer

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1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and Father Costello offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the October 1, 2013 meeting were approved with a correction in item #2 that Bill Laird would be meeting with the University Senate, not Faculty Senate, and a correction in item #5 that the Cabinet agreed that six staff, two from each campus, would be chosen each month for the Monthly Staff Awards.
3. Rob Kelly outlined plans to return to a month-long series of events, held in November, to celebrate Ignatian Heritage Month. Chris Murphy and Lisa Reiter have co-chaired the planning committee and Chris joined the Cabinet at the meeting to review planned events. The Cabinet asked for a listing of events broken out by campus, and highlighting key events including the programs with Father David Hollenbach, S.J., Carolyn Woo, and others.
4. Rob also noted that the first week of November is Hunger Week. He highlighted a number of programs for the Cabinet, including the November 5<sup>th</sup> event with Father John Padburg, S.J. on "The Jesuit Restoration and the American Experience" and the November 28 Thanksgiving dinner in the Damen Student Center, when faculty and staff are invited to help serve meals.
5. Father Garanzini and Lorraine Snyder then reviewed the AJCU presidents/board chair and Jesuit Conference meetings which were held on the WTC earlier this month. Father Garanzini gave a summary of the remarks that Father General Nicolás offered to the group, which focused on the importance of student-centered missions in our institutions, and doing more to make Jesuit education accessible to the poorest of our societies. Father Garanzini also highlighted the conversation at the AJCU board meeting on online education, MOOCs, etc. Father Garanzini suggested that the Academic Affairs Committee of our BOT form a task force to look at these online education issues as a way to keep the Board of Trustees informed about this topic.
6. Donna Curin highlighted that Loyola's men's basketball team would be playing the Missouri Valley conference tournament in St. Louis at the same time as the March Board of Trustees meeting. Some trustees expressed interested in exploring the option of holding the board meeting in St. Louis to coincide with the tournament, so that board members could attend the game that week as well. This proposal will be brought to the BOT Executive Committee for their review and discussion in November.

7. Steve Bergfeld informed the Cabinet that the honorees at the November 16 Stritch Dinner will be Richard Gamelli (Stritch Medal) and Paul Farmer (Sword of Loyola). The dinner will be held at the Field Museum.
8. Bill Laird reviewed progress related to budget planning for FY15. The budget has been based on a student enrollment of 16,000 and with a larger-than-expected freshmen class this year our budget is very healthy. Father Garanzini highlighted his desire to reduce the borrowing of next year's incoming SSOM class. The Cabinet discussed the government shutdown, which to date has not significantly impacted the university's budget, especially because the majority of the financial aid money came in before the shutdown. There will, however, be an impact on research grants.
9. Wayne Magdziarz indicated that he is working up a golf cart usage policy to cut down on improper usage of the carts on and near the LSC.
10. Rob asked the Cabinet to hold the dates of September 26-28, 2014 for Family Weekend next fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.