

President's Cabinet Meeting  
February 22, 2011

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Members present: John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Michael J. Garanzini, S.J., Phil Hale, John Hardt, Jonathan Heintzeman, Emilio Iodice, Rob Kelly, Tom Kelly, Phil Kosiba, Bill Laird, Susan Malisch, Ellen Munro, John Pelissero, Kelly Shannon, Lorraine Snyder and Paul Whelton

Absent: Wayne Magdziarz

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1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and John Pelissero offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the February 9, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.
3. John Pelissero distributed and reviewed the University's honorary degree policy with the Cabinet. The policy was approved by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees in March 2004. The University's honorary degree process has been localized in the schools as part of the move to school-based graduation ceremonies. The Cabinet suggested convening a committee, as detailed in the policy, to review honorary degree candidates that are then forwarded to the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board as well as to look at the list of approved candidates to see who might be an appropriate recipient of a degree this year or next. Emilio Iodice indicated that the Rome Center is considering giving an honorary degree this year, and Emilio will coordinate that process with the Provost's Office.
4. Rob Kelly reviewed the proposal for a Maroon and Gold Society, which would recognize a select group of Loyola seniors who demonstrate a commitment to leadership, academic learning and service to others. It is hoped that these students would serve as positive role models to inspire younger student leaders at the University. Father Garanzini suggested increasing the number of student participants from the suggested 15 to up to 25 students, who could serve in a variety of roles at University events (Founders Dinner, etc). He also suggested that these students could participate on Advancement trips. John Costello, S.J., asked if it were possible to consider a name for this group that is more Jesuit or Ignatian than "Maroon and Gold."
5. John discussed the Faculty Senate proposal which was reviewed at the January 2011 leadership retreat. John met with the Faculty Council Executive Committee last week regarding this proposal, and indicated that there is a need to clarify some issues including the proposed jurisdiction of the proposed Faculty Senate. Rob agreed that clarifying the Senate's mandate would be helpful, and noted that as the proposal stands, students would likely feel like they have no voice regarding issues that impact them at the University. The Cabinet recommended that a task force made up of administrators (including deans) as well as faculty should be convened to work through this proposal.
6. John then reviewed the performance indicators that have been established to ensure progress in reaching the University's strategic goals over the next several years. There are 15 key metrics related primarily to undergraduate learning and development. The metrics have been discussed with the Council of Deans and will go next to the Council on Student Success for their review and input, before being shared with the Academic Affairs and Enrollment Committees of the Board next month. Jon Heintzeman suggested that the alumni giving goal be modified to 10%, since 20% of alumni participation is not realistic for us at this time; Jon also noted that Nicole Meehan has developed an alumni

engagement scorecard that Jon will forward to assist with gathering data on this metric. Paul recommended that a column be added to indicate our current levels of engagement so that in reviewing the document we would have a clear sense of the progress that needs to be made in each area.

7. In Information Sharing, Phil Kosiba shared that the Norville Center is ready to go for the dedication on March 3.
8. John Pelissero reviewed the enrollment funnel as well as the Midwest Private Colleges and Universities report. We are currently down about 4% in admitted students from this time last year, primarily due to a lag in processing applications. We are ahead about 15% in net deposits and up about 76% in transfer applications, thanks in large part to the work of the new associate director for transfer admissions. Additionally, John highlighted that our transfer retention improved 2% this year, and that transfer scholarships were also increased. Discussions are underway regarding transfer housing next year, with the current intention to house transfer students in Wright Hall. Lastly, John noted that we are down in visitor application for JFRC in the fall, and both Enrollment Management and the Rome Center are keeping tabs on that number to make sure we meet our goals.
9. Paul Whelton gave an update on LUHS and noted that clinical volumes are strong and ahead of the city as a whole. The hospital is gearing up for the opening of the Center for Health at Burr Ridge early next month.
10. Rob indicated that there has been a small spike in the number of students going in for mental health assistance, perhaps as a result of midterm exams taking place right now. He shared that USGA has begun their nominations process with elections slated to take place at the end of March. Additionally, Rob noted that a one-night men's retreat will be held at LUREC on March 18 for seniors, faculty, staff and alumni and that a weekend of student activities and fun, called Colossus, will take place March 18-20.
11. Kelly Shannon noted that we got good feedback on our mayoral election video, and she thanked John Pelissero for participating in the project.
12. Donna Curin indicated that the Board of Trustee agenda will be emailed to all, and she distributed the Board books to the Cabinet at the meeting.
13. John Costello, S.J. mentioned that Crain's wrote a good article about Wayne Magdziarz recently.
14. Susan Malisch indicated that two vendors have been identified as finalists for our e-portfolio project, and they will be coming to campus in the next few weeks. ITS is also vetting two finalist vendors for the enrollment management systems project.
15. Bill Laird indicated that Standard and Poors reaffirmed the University's "A" rating.
16. Tom Kelly thanked the Cabinet for their assistance with the annual disclosure process which was recently completed. Father Garanzini suggested that we give a letter to new faculty and staff employees about the disclosure process, and Tom agreed that this would be worthwhile to do.

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