

President's Cabinet Meeting  
December 13, 2011

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Members present: John Costello, S.J., Donna Curin, Michael Garanzini, S.J., Phil Hale, Jon Heintzelman, Richard Gamelli, Rob Kelly, Tom Kelly, Bill Laird, Wayne Magdziarz, Susan Malisch, Ellen Munro, John Pelissero, Kelly Shannon, Lorraine Snyder and Kana Wibbenmeyer

Absent: Emilio Iodice

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1. Father Garanzini opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. John Pelissero offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the November 29, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.
3. Donna Curin added a review of Board of Trustee committee memberships and meeting dates to the agenda.
4. Kana Wibbenmeyer presented an update on Lake Shore campus construction projects. She highlighted that landscaping work around Cuneo Hall, which will open in May 2012, will have a significant impact on vehicular and pedestrian traffic on campus. Additionally, the CTA will begin work on the train station in April or May with a goal of opening the reconfigured station entrance in September and the plaza in the winter of 2012.
5. Jon distributed information on Mayne State/Act One which is an entertainment venue in Rogers Park that was originally opened in 1912 as the Morse Theater. LUC alumnus Col. James Pritzker (CAS '79) purchased the venue in early 2010. Jon detailed its many possible uses and noted that its proximity to the Lake Shore campus makes it a good off-campus option for university events.
6. Rob Kelly gave an update on a student-led effort to ban the sale of bottled water on campus. The students have conducted research to see if bottled water is sold at other AJCU institutions, and among other priorities these students are interested in looking at retrofitting and increasing the number of drinking fountains on campus to reduce the demand for bottled water.
7. John Pelissero presented a proposal for a task force which will take up issues related to tuition and fees, revenue streams and markets, cost management, etc. The task force will be chaired by Susan Malisch and Justin Daffron, S.J. University trustees have expressed their interest in discussing these issues at upcoming meetings of the Board, and this task force is being created in response to concerns they have highlighted. The task force will convene for its first meeting in January and offer a preliminary report to the trustees at the March Board meeting. A more robust analysis and recommendations will be presented in June, and these issues will be the focus of the September Board of Trustees retreat. Father Garanzini emphasized the need to link up progress on the university strategic plan as part of this effort as well as to conduct a review of some processes that we currently have in place that can be modified to better address issues that this task force will consider. Bill Laird highlighted the need to include our financial aid policies and pricing information into these conversations, since central to the university's mission is supporting students who financially would not be able to afford a Loyola education without our institutional aid.

8. Donna Curin reviewed the proposed list of trustee committees, and the Cabinet discussed how to structure the meeting schedule to maximize trustee availability. Committee liaisons will share the updated meeting schedule with their committees, and the new finalized schedule of committee meetings will be effective in March 2012.
9. Phil Hale presented a report detailing the work of the office of Government Affairs. Among other issues, Phil highlighted efforts related to federal and state aid, institutional tax-exempt status issues, and the creation of a public service mentoring program for students and alumni.
10. Father Garanzini indicated that some Cabinet meeting dates will need to be revised in the new year, and Lorraine Snyder said that she would circulate an updated schedule of meetings once they are confirmed.
11. Tom Kelly reminded the Cabinet that the annual University Christmas Lunch will be held in the newly-renovated Gentile Center on December 21.
12. Lorraine solicited nominations for the AJCU Leadership Seminar which Loyola will host in June 2012, and noted that she would send information around to the Cabinet related to this seminar.

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