

Cabinet Meeting
March 21, 2017

Members present: Margaret Callahan, Pam Costas, Lorraine Fitzgerald, Phil Hale, Kana Henning, Tom Kelly, Wayne Magdziarz, Susan Malisch, Rob Munson, Jane Neufeld, Jamie Orsini, John Pelissero, Jim Prehn, S.J., Kelly Shannon, and Winifred Williams

Guests: Kathy Altonji

Absent: Jo Ann Rooney

1. With Dr. Rooney out sick and at her request, John Pelissero opened the meeting at 8:00 a.m. and Jamie Orsini offered a prayer.
2. The minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.
3. Wayne Magdziarz added an update on Founders Dinner to the agenda and Jane Neufeld added the topic of “annual MLK speaker” to the agenda.
4. Wayne then invited Kathy Altonji to detail the plans for Founders Dinner which will be held on the LSC in the Gentile Arena on Friday, June 9th. This event has been revamped to focus on building our community of engaged alumni, donors and corporate partners in raising funds for Loyola scholarships. The event will include a keynote speech by Cokie Roberts, as well as the presentation of a few signature Loyola awards.
5. John asked Kathy to also share information regarding planned changes for the Commencement ceremonies in May. The arena stage will now be on the north wall of the Gentile Arena, which will allow more faculty to be seated on the stage and include ramps for all graduates to better accommodate any mobility challenges. Kathy and her team are working to put together a group of dedicated marshals to assist with each ceremony.
6. Tom Kelly reviewed this month’s Board of Trustees meeting and asked the Cabinet for feedback on any logistical changes that should be made for the June cycle. Tom also indicated that the FY18 budget was approved by the trustees at the March meeting.
7. Rob Munson gave an update on the Triennial Due Diligence for the commercial paper program which we are required to submit every three years related to contracts and other operations. Sue Bodin is the contact on this effort and she is available to assist Cabinet members with compiling responses by the mid-April due date.
8. Jane indicated that an environmental studies class is doing a group project which involves proposing a campus-wide ban on smoking. Jane is going to their class today to find out more about this project.
9. In regards to the annual MLK speaker event, Jane detailed the selection process for speakers the past few years and engaged the Cabinet in a conversation regarding how to improve the selection process going forward in order to better steward our resources in

terms of speaker fees and with the goal of soliciting a wider range of input on possible speakers. Winifred proposed coordinating this through the Diversity and Inclusion Council, which is interested in organizing a series of events, as well as service opportunities, related to MLK day. Jane and Winifred will continue this conversation in planning for the 2018 events.

10. Phil Hale shared that he was approached by Cook County to see if Loyola would like to participate in a summer internship program that they will start this year. This would be a grant-funded program targeting inner city students aged 16-24. The Cabinet discussed possible opportunities in Facilities and in Campus Recreation that would fit well with this program. Kana Henning will follow up with Phil on this directly.
11. In Information Sharing, Tom gave a brief update on the continued discussions with the SEIU.
12. Winifred also shared that negotiations with Local 399 are ongoing.
13. Additionally, Winifred indicated that we are at a 99% completion rate for the mandatory online harassment training, and that we will be at 100% shortly.
14. Phil shared his insight and perspective on President Trump's budget address last week, and the impact of his proposals on higher education. Non-defense discretionary budgets will be significantly cut under his proposals, and campus-based aid programs would be eliminated. Phil is working closely with allies locally and nationally to advocate for aid and other programs that benefit our students.
15. Margaret Callahan shared that the new SSOM dean will be very involved in the LCME reaccreditation. She also indicated that Match Day last week went well.
16. Kelly Shannon reminded the Cabinet that the first civic engagement program on free press and free speech will take place this afternoon. The next two events are scheduled for April.
17. Rob gave an update on filling Eric Jones' position, and the input he received from the Investment Policy Committee regarding how to modify the position as Finance moves forward on filling the position.
18. Kana let the Cabinet know that scaffolding is going up outside the Cudahy Science building in preparation for the roof replacement work which is slated to begin once final exams end. The roof replacement will be completed by April 20. Kana also shared that during her maternity leave, which begins May 4, Peter Schlecht will be the point of contact in Facilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.