

Academic Affairs Council

January 6, 2010

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1. Legislative Issues

Priorities for federal appropriations requests, this is the final year for the earmark funding for the Columbia Center. We will be requesting funds for medicinal crops, ECRC Rural Education, cooperation with the City for a training center for emergency/first responders.

This is not a legislative year.

Lone Star Legislative Summit, February 17 evening and February 18th all day. Senator Nichols and Christian will be on campus.

2. Board Meeting

Ribbon cutting for Nursing Center will be at 2pm on Sunday January 24th, followed by Board meeting at 4pm that day. Board meeting will also be held Monday, January 25th. Action items for Academic Affairs include revised admission standards, in line with strategic plan and enhance retention, effective for entry fall 2012, as well as PTO/SFA agreement for the Charter School.

Monday 25th 9am nursing faculty will be presented to the Board followed by the Rose Bruford students.

3. HB2504

Rules have been issued by the Coordinating Board, Dr. Berry and Dr. Brunson met with Jason Johnstone to discuss requirements, it lists elements that must be included in syllabi. Each dean should establish who their contact person needs to be, these names along with plans need to be submitted by August 15, 2010.

Larry King administered for first time MAP141 in fall 2009 for 200 freshmen as an instrument of measure, need to develop comparison between ours and other students at other universities.

4. The new Vice President for Development is Sid Walker and he started January 4, 2010.
5. Voluntary system of accountability the aim is to help increase accountability. VSA encouraged us to administer.
6. Small size Classes
Dr. Brunson reminded the deans about the rules on small size classes.
7. Summary received by Charlotte Sullivan - current revenue estimate for shortfall \$12 – 20 billion dollars, they will be asking agencies to cut 2.5%, need to look at ways to do this.
8. Retention
Part of reaccreditation, Larry King will summarize and email deans with set of guidelines.
9. Lynda Langham will be the Interim Registrar, effective January 1, 2010.
10. Date of Next Meeting – Deans Council
January 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.