**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL/CABINET MEETING AGENDA**

**Tuesday, February 22, 2022**

**9:35 a.m.**

**Zoom**

**Members in Attendance:** Steve Turner, Debbie Landry, Jerrid Freeman, Christy Landsaw, Dan Mabery, Ron Cambiano, Matt Cochran, Nathan Green, Red Walker, and Brooke Neff

**Members Absent:** – James Bell and Peggy Glenn (James Mynatt and Christie Speake attended for them)

The meeting began at 9:35 a.m.

President Turner thanked the group for being flexible in changing the mode of delivery of the meeting

**Foundation Updates:**

Christie Speake informed the group that Peggy was involved in PLC interviews and that there were 50 high school students applying this year. She reported that their staff has been busy planning for The Emerald (a new style event to replace the Emerald Ball) and that it will be held on Saturday, March 26th, 6pm, Cherokee Casino in Tahlequah. She also reported that the Larry Adair Lecture has been postponed due to possible inclement weather.

**Staff Council Update**

Red Walker informed that Staff Council met last week, and they have two new members. The next meeting will be March 11 and they will begin looking at events for Employee Recognition Week. He also reported that the group is working on the Guns on Campus Resolution and will finalize it at the next meeting. He informed the group that Staff Council elections will begin soon.

**MIAA/NCAA Update**

Matt Cochran recapped the NCAA Convention. The new Constitution passed and now work will begin on the changes that will take place. Surveys will go out and it will be an opportunity for NCAA groups to refresh regarding things like concepts of governance structure and more seats from Presidents. There will be a lot of work being done on this. He mentioned that there is not a lot going on in the governance arena for the MIAA. Winter sports are wrapping up and spring sports are coming on. The Men’s Basketball team is trying to get in the Conference Tournament that will bin in Kansas City in early March. Football and baseball conference play begins this week. He informed the group that NSU had three Players of the Week. Tennis and Golf are just getting started. He also mentioned that today is National Division II Day. There will be games with Rogers beginning at 6:00 pm. There will be a half-time honor ceremony for 210 athletes with a 3.0 GPA. He mentioned that Youth Sprints Leagues were invited to the game on Wednesday.

**Faculty Council Update**

Nathan Green updated the group on focus group work being done with robust conversations on retention outcomes. They are having discussions regarding “Campus Closed” vs. “Virtual Day/Online Class” needs. He reported that work has begun on this year’s Circle of Excellence Awards. The process should be completed by the end of March. They are also working on the Guns on Campus Resolution

**Retention Update**

VP Freeman updated the group on work being done to finish up the Retention Retreat. Information will be out soon. He stated that all changes are based on thought and wants of faculty, staff and students and that Cabinet voted/approved the most important items that may effect change. There were 63 items and 16 adopted for now.

**Workforce Development Update**

VP Freeman updated the group on the Badging process and that it will be fully vetted by Cabinet and then will go to the Policy Committee.

**Capital Project Updates**

VP Landsaw updated the group on projects that are ongoing. Wilson will have its Ribbon Cutting on April 12th. Seminary Hall work continues, Lewis Street work is slow but steady.

She also mentioned that the HERF funds will be disbursed on March 3. This will be the largest disbursement yet with 14.7 million being disbursed to students.

**Veteran's Bus - March 1st**

VP Mabery informed the group that the NSU partnered to wrap a bus with NSU logos, and the bus will be utilized to transport veterans to services. The bus will be at NSU on March 1

**Marketing Focus Groups**

VP Mabery informed the group of Market needs to focus our efforts to target specific groups. He talked about “Hispanic Day” at Union High School and the immediate response we had with applications being filled out.

He also mentioned that NSU will have an article in Forbes Magazine and that NSU is the only Higher education institution in the country with an article in this magazine.

**Academic Affairs Updates**

Provost Landry informed the group that schedules will be out soon for summer and fall semesters. She reported that the second 8-week class enrollment is doing great. She talked about upcoming professional development classes in CTL, honors award nominations and program in April. She also reported that NSU received the HLC accreditation report and there were no findings. NSU has received HLC accreditation for the next 10 years.

**Higher Ed Day Recap**

President Turner and Brooke Neff recapped Higher Ed Day events and talked about how well attended it was and that it was very informative and rewarding.

**February 9th Budget Adjustment Letter**

President Turner reminded all regarding information about salary adjustments over this year and the three announcements in the February 9th letter. He asked if anyone had any questions regarding the information in the letter. No one had any questions.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-Brown Bags – Tuesday, Feb 22nd-BA, 12:00-1:00 pm – Visitor Center Gallery

-Strategic Plan Town Halls – Monday, Feb 28th – 5:00 p.m., BA Annex

Thursday, Mar 3rd – 5:00 p.m., TQ-UC Morgan Room

Tuesday, Mar 8th – 5:00 p.m., Muskogee-Sunroom

-Centurion Luncheon – Friday, Mar 4th – 11:30 a.m. - UC Ballroom

-Wilson Hall Ribbon Cutting – Tuesday, Apr 12th, 1:30 p.m.

-Battenfield/Carletti Lecture & Finance Lab Ribbon Cutting – Thursday, Apr 14th (times/location TBD)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Notes submitted by Robin Hutchins