

# PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING

## May 29, 2012

### MINUTES

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bob Austin, Terry Berg, Lee M. Colaw, Ellen Robertson Green, Russell Lowery-Hart, Danita McAnally, and Paul Matney

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Brenda Sadler

**Core Values: Integrity + Innovation + Teamwork = SUCCESS**

#### **Discussion:**

Matney explained PRANA Development Group and their agreement with Amarillo College which the Board of Regents approved at the May 22 Board meeting. He said many special meetings were held and everyone involved with these meetings and proposals had to sign a confidentiality agreement. Matney believes the development of property around East Campus is a potentially good opportunity for Amarillo College. There is an opportunity to develop 946 acres; AC was offered fair market value; AC conducted an appraisal of the land around East Campus; good opportunity to recruit new business and industry; AC will have the sole right to any workforce training for any business that moves in on that property. AC attorneys are moving forward with the economic development contract.

**JACC-PAC UPDATE** – Amarillo College met its goal of \$1,763; Matney collected just under \$2,000.

**BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP** – The budget workshop will be held on Tuesday, June 19 from noon – 3:30 p.m. Matney distributed budget strategies and priorities. 2012-2013 Budget Strategies include: a) tuition and fee increase; b) tax rate increase; c) use of reserves; d) budget realignment to improve student success; e) creating a “New Normal” (e.g., grants, contracts, etc.); and, f) sustainability. 2012-2013 Budget Priorities include: 1) offset State reductions; 2) fund student success initiatives (First Year Seminar Course (FYS) – SACS QEP; expand tutoring; developmental education; course redesign; poverty training; and student success contingency); 3) SACS Reaffirmation; 4) employee raises; 5) new positions in growth areas; 6) technology upgrades; 7) Hinkson Memorial Campus in Hereford; and 8) Career & Technical Center at MCC in Dumas.

**LEADERSHIP AMARILLO/CANYON NOMINATION** – Dr. Carol Buse may be approached to serve in the next class. Matney will make the final decision and contact the Leadership Amarillo/Canyon office.

**FOCUSED REPORT ASSIGNMENTS** – McAnally distributed handouts regarding the SACS Reaffirmation of Accreditation and Subsequent Reports and the Focused Report from the Off-Site Committee. If the visiting committee discovers noncompliance with any pertinent standard(s) in the *Principles of Accreditation*, an appropriate narrative and recommendation will be drafted and submitted to the full On-Site Reaffirmation Committee for consideration and possible inclusion in the Reaffirmation Committee Report. The Focused Report was discussed by each core requirement cited; what the finding was; and who will be assigned to bring into compliance. Dr. Marcy Stoll, Vice

President for the Commission on Colleges, was encouraging in her video conference where she discussed the Off-site Committee Report. She indicated that the Off-Site Committee was fair. McAnally requested that all action be completed by the end of June and by July 15 have all reports ready to go to print. The Board will be apprised of the Off-Site Report and any action taken to bring into compliance.

**Announcements:**

- The Amarillo High School Historical Marker dedication will be held at 10:30 at the AC Downtown Campus.
- Bill Crawford, Dean of Health Sciences, is retiring August 17.
- The Professor Emeritus reception for Therese Jones will be held on Thursday, May 31.
- The four candidates for Construction Manager-at-Risk position will give their presentations for Cabinet, Renee Vincent, Daniel Esquivel, Larry Appel, chairman of the Moore County Campus Advisory Committee, and Randy Farr, chairman of the Hereford Campus Advisory Committee, on June 12 and 13. A decision should be made by the end of the presentations on June 13.
- A Cabinet retreat in late summer was proposed; a decision on the date will be made at a later time.

Next meeting: June 19, 2012  
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