

PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING
October 13, 2020
MINUTES

CALLED TO ORDER

9:05 am

ADJOURNED

10:00 am

MEMBERS PRESENT – VIA GOOGLE MEETS & IN PERSON

Bob Austin; Kevin Ball; Tamara Clunis; Cara Crowley; Cheryl Jones; Russell Lowery-Hart; Chris Sharp; Joe Bill Sherrod; Denese Skinner; Mark White

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Joy Brenneman

DISCUSSION:

1. PER-STUDENT REVENUE DATA POINTS	Cabinet
<p>Dr. Lowery-Hart had sent an article to Cabinet regarding how much community colleges are underfunded. AC has determined that the cost per student is approximately \$374/student, but this is a competitive metric and not actual. Both revenue and cost per student should be articulated in communications with the Board and community.</p> <p>Amarillo College is underfunded in taxes, tuition, and state funding and expects state budget cuts between \$850,000 and \$1.1M in the next biennium. Lone Star and Collin County community colleges have withdrawn from TACC and plan to go directly to the legislature to ask for their own funding model. Their argument is that large schools educate 90% of the students but only receive 10% of the funding. TACC's goal is to protect small to medium sized schools which does not apply to AC. There is concern that the large schools might begin providing online courses at a rate that will undercut AC's rate and that regional alignments could be created placing AC in a reporting structure to El Paso.</p> <p>Cabinet held a robust discussion about the future of the budget, revenue sharing, tuition and fees, and partnerships with industry and with funders such as AEDC. Budget discussions will begin in November.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Schedule preliminary budget discussion with Lowery-Hart, Sharp, Crowley, and Jones this week.• Schedule first Cabinet budget discussion on November 3.• Since the viewing for the "The Antidote" movie will be next Tuesday, schedule next week's Cabinet at a different date and time.	
2. OTHER DISCUSSION	Cabinet
<p>None</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• n/a	