

PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING
March 28, 2023
MINUTES

CALLED TO ORDER

9:04 am

ADJOURNED

10:53 am

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Kristin McDonald-Willey; Toni Van Dyke; Collin Witherspoon

DISCUSSION:

1. ASPEN WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT LOGISTICS	Lowery-Hart
<p>Dr. Lowery-Hart reported that invitations for the in-person Aspen announcement went out yesterday. Each cabinet member shared how and where their division will watch the announcement.</p> <p>Dr. Lowery-Hart announced that Amarillo College will host a State of the College event on May 5, 2023.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cabinet members will email their divisions regarding the Aspen winner announcement.	
2. THECB DATA REQUEST	Austin; McDonald-Willey; Witherspoon
<p>Dr. Lowery-Hart reported that all workforce-related credentialing is funded under the new finance funding model.</p> <p>Mr. Austin shared that the THECB requested data on occupational skills awarded in the last three years.</p> <p>Mr. Witherspoon reviewed the definition of credentialing certificates and what programs at the college would fall under the definition. He shared that current continuing education groups are not uniform in how and when data is submitted to the register's office. Additionally, he shared that a protocol needs to be established regarding formatting and submission deadlines in order for the college to capture funding for the courses.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deans will be responsible for providing CE data for their areas.• Mr. Austin, Ms. McDonald-Willey, and Mr. Witherspoon will attend the next Vice President of Academic Affairs Council meeting to discuss the THECB data request.	

3. HB8 DATA RUNS	Lowery-Hart; Sharp
<p>Dr. Lowery-Hart shared the preliminary data runs for HB8. The data shows that Amarillo College is in a good place regarding the new data funding models. The model provides additional funding in grants, student supports, and dual credit scholarships. Dr. Lowery-Hart was asked by Representative VanDeaver to testify about how the new bill helps schools that are focused on low-income MSI's and the matrix that is being integrated into the system.</p> <p>At this time, the coordinating board hasn't officially released the data runs.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
4. LONGHORN LIFE	Cabinet
<p>Mr. Austin and Ms. Skinner met with Ms. Cassie Montgomery to discuss the agenda for the Longhorn Life event scheduled for April 10, 2023. Mr. Austin reviewed the agenda for the upcoming event.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
5. LEGAL CLINIC	Cabinet
<p>Mr. White reported that Ms. Edie Carter and Ms. Skinner met with several employees at the Legal Aid Clinic in regard to having a space on campus to help with Amarillo College's Legal Clinic.</p> <p>Legal Aid of Texas offered several options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hire a full-time lawyer through Legal Aid that would be 100% dedicated to AC's clinic. The lawyer would attend court with the students. • Legal Aid would offer a monthly clinic on campus and provide legal advice but not help with documents. • Legal Aid would provide a new lawyer every week with no experience. <p>Discussion took place on the different costs for each option.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Clunis will provide a one-page proposal to use MacKenzie Scott funds to cover the cost of the lawyer for two years to pilot the program. 	
6. OTHER DISCUSSION	Cabinet
<p>None.</p>	
<p>Action Items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	