



PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING

September 16, 2021

Attending: Dr. Joe Whitmore, Mr. Vann Scott, Ms. Shelley Smith, Ms. Teresa Walker, Dr. Greg Randall, Mr. Jason Cannon, Mr. Don Roden

Convened 2 p.m.

Old Business

1. Enrollment Update
 - Mr. Cannon shared the latest enrollment numbers from this morning.
 - The fall headcount as of Wednesday morning is 2,149, and credit hours total 21,592. This is an increase over the fall 2020 semester.
 - The fall Mini II course schedule insert will be placed in the Saturday edition of the Sand Mountain Reporter.
 - Mr. Cannon discussed the trend among the different student types as well as how the Colleges are doing with the Chancellor's Challenge for fall enrollment.
 - Mr. Cannon and Ms. Smith shared information about a mailout of the spring schedule to households within the service area.

2. McCain Update
 - The building is 99 percent done. There's one piece that goes on the front and the back that has to be complete and in place before it's complete and we can get a certificate of occupancy from the state.
 - A move-in date has not yet been scheduled, but it will be a staggered move.

New Business

1. Debriefing on SACSCOC Special Committee Visit
 - The Committee approved our report with no recommendations. The approval will be finalized by the SACSCOC board at the meeting in December. The Committee concluded the site visit a day early.
 - The SACSCOC annual meeting will be virtual, and registration will open next week.

- The SACSCOC consultant will continue to work with the College as we prepare for the 10-year reaffirmation.
- Mr. Scott suggested since the annual meeting is virtual, the College could register additional people who wouldn't have been attending the in-person meeting but who would be able to attend a virtual meeting. Dr. Whitmore agreed and said we would need to check on any caps on the number of attendees.

2. Open Discussion

- Dr. Whitmore led discussion about the development of apprenticeships with local industries. One apprenticeship has been established with Alatrade, and two students will be taking advantage of that. Mr. Cannon described the process of releasing student information needed by the companies without violating FERPA regulations.
- Mr. Cannon provided clarification and explanation on the College's policy in terms of enrolling international students.
- Mr. Cannon shared with the Cabinet that the College is a sponsor for the Covered Bridge Festival, and as part of that, the College can have one cook team to enter. The event is Saturday, Oct. 9. The deadline to submit the team is Sept. 24.
- Ms. Smith asked for suggestions of people who can represent the College by attending the Albertville High School Hall of Fame luncheon on Friday, Oct. 15.
- Mr. Roden discussed a new sound system for the Health Sciences auditorium to provide better capability for conducting classes and meetings in the auditorium.