



PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING

August 11, 2022

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

Absent:

Convened 2 p.m.

Old Business

1. Enrollment and TargetX Update

- Mr. Cannon reviewed Fall semester enrollment. Credits hours is currently at 89 percent of the final enrollment for 2021.
- Enrollment for first-time students has increased.
- Mr. Cannon tracked the enrollment trend for 2021 and 2022. Without knowing how the drop for nonpayment affected the 2021 enrollment, the headcount for Aug. 11, 2022, was 1,877 as compared to a headcount of 1,632 on Aug. 15, 2021. Credit hours on Aug. 11, 2022, were 19,955, and credit hours on Aug. 15, 2021, were 17,519.
- An advising blitz event was held last Friday, and 45 students attended to receive advising and registration help. Another one will be held next Friday.

New Business

1. Open Discussion

- Mr. Scott shared updated on filling vacancies and on an upcoming retirement among the faculty.
- Dr. Whitmore reviewed the schedule for Convocation week next week. Ms. Smith will work on an invitation to send to employees to promote the picnic next Thursday.
- Dr. Whitmore provided a SACS update and reviewed the progress made during the Strategic Planning Retreat this week.
- The new career and technical facility is in the final stages of design.

- The baseball field is getting a new fence, and the baseball and softball fields are getting new lighting.
- The dorm is being painted and is getting new furniture that is being funded with Chancellor's Challenge funding.
- The design for the signage in front of the Story Administration Building is expected to be done this fall.
- Mr. Roden updated the Cabinet on the installation of a new access system for entry to each building on campus and at the Aviation College and Arab Instructional Site. The system is being covered with HERFF funding.
- The lecture hall in the Nursing Building is being refurbished with its IT system. The project will begin Monday and should be finished by Thursday.
- Mr. Scott made a motion to move the Snead State library from being a traditional library to a fully electronic library. Mr. Scott said electronic libraries are now considered acceptable by SACS. Dr. Randall provided the second. The Cabinet passed the motion unanimously.
- The Cabinet approved for Ms. Walker to apply for a \$50,000 Women's Foundation Grant.
- Dr. Randall reported that 15 students enrolled in the welding program. Enrollment in aviation has almost doubled. Boeing will be presenting a Cybersecurity Seminar in September.
- Dr. Randall reported that the Alabama Technology Network is inviting STEM students to attend its upcoming conference in September. Dr. Randall will send the marketing materials to Ms. Smith to assist with getting the word out.
- Ms. Walker invited the Cabinet to attend the graduation for the completers of the training program offered through the Women's Foundation on Sept. 1.