

President's Cabinet Meeting Minutes

July 31, 2023

1. Student Guests: Marsha Mathews introduced Braden Wright and Landon Diggs. Both students graduated from Roane County High School and currently work in the Physical Plant. Braden is majoring in Exercise Science but is considering changing to Business. Landon will graduate this spring and will be transferring to UT/K in chemical engineering. Both stated that the best thing about Roane State is how helpful everyone is. They enjoy the proximity and stated that success coaches made the transition from high school much easier. Landon also mentioned liking the many online course options. They also told the Cabinet that working at the college helped them meet new people. The improvement they would most like to see is a relationship between RSCC and UT/K similar to that between RSCC and TTU to ease transfer.
2. Enrollment Update: Jamie Stringer reported that headcount & FTE enrollment are currently up approximately 2% (10% w/dual enrollment). Today's date is 88% in to final enrollment. Jamie also reported that Web is the "largest campus." There are approximately 300 success coach appointments scheduled for the first two weeks of August. Jamie hopes we can break the 5,000 headcount number as a final count.
3. Convocation Update: Convocation is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. Eastern on Wednesday, August 9, with continental breakfast served at 8:30 a.m. Internal updates will be live streamed; however, at the request of Freddie Shegog, the Keynote Speaker, his remarks will not be streamed nor recorded. Campuses will be open that morning, but supervisors are encouraged to permit staff to attend, if not already obligated to other activities. (Only support staff may claim mileage reimbursement for travelling to the event.)
4. Knox Campus Groundbreaking Update: The groundbreaking for the new Knox campus will take place Tuesday, August 1, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern. Dr. Whaley asked Sherry Jackson to set up a Zoom meeting for 5:00 p.m. July 31 to go over last minute event details.
5. Policy PA-22-02: Faculty Tenure: Revisions to this policy have been taking place for over a year, with full participation/feedback from the Faculty Senate. Cabinet approved the revisions.
6. Active Shooter Pre-Tabletop Discussion: The remainder of the meeting was taken up with discussion of the Roane County Business Office active shooter scenario that Chief Wright has proposed for the tabletop exercise September 20, 2023, in the Raider Room. The purpose of this discussion was to identify some key roles in advance of inviting external partners to the September 20 event.