

Executive Council

December 19, 2023

9:00-10:30

I. University Updates (Dr. Arenaz)

- a. Commencement debrief-went well; no glitches; may offer campus tours for online students who are here for graduation.
- b. Lead the system in terms of HUD vendors
- c. In the last quarter we were 2nd among regionals in gifts.
- d. Refresh is due in 2 days
- e. End-of-term was done yesterday; still one class pending, so those students got incompletes. Their grades will be input manually.
- f. Potential nutritional hub in Laredo (Undersecretary of Agriculture)
- g. AP group-still some interest in stackable certificates.

II. Enrollment Updates (Juan Garcia)

- a. There may be students who are on suspension who registered for spring. Those students should be sent to deans for further evaluation.
- b. Numbers are positive
- c. Concurrent students have been registered (pending Freer)
- d. FFRs will be moved to new classification in the January report
- e. 10 sections in wintermester (352 students)
- f. FAFSA still not open
- g. Testing Center was busy during finals.
- h. January 12-Diploma pick up party 8:30-11:30
- i. February 3-Spring Preview Day
- j. April 6-Discover TAMU

III. Athletics (Zimmerman)

- a. Women's BB beat Lubbock Christian
- b. Both men and women beat Kingsville

IV. Update on First-Time Freshman Retention Rates (Dr. Ramirez)

- a. 90% registration rate
- b. Cases we are dealing with now are more difficult (owe a significant amount, etc)
- c. Dr. Arenaz stated we need to redouble our efforts after the new year to get more students registered.

V. Other

- a. Hayley Kazen
 - i. FS has requested a visit from Follett to answer faculty questions about Books Included
- b. Daniel Berndt
 - i. No major updates
- c. Dr. San Miguel
 - i. George Clark will be interim dean of ARSSB

- d. Mr. Castillo
 - i. New digital signs are being piloted. If successful, these are intended to replace sandwich boards.
- e. Ms. Palacios-no report
- f. Ms. Garcia
 - i. January 12-orientation
 - ii. Health services will no longer be closed during lunch hour starting in January
 - iii. Senate Bill 532-makes students more aware of mental health resources. Campus tours must include a nod to counseling services area
 - iv. Upcoming-app that will allow students access to online counseling service
 - v. Employees also have access to mental health services. Contact Ashley Carey in HR.