Announcements- Dr. Maddan announced that the last UCC meeting for fall will be Friday November 16, 2023. Any core curriculum changes need to be submitted now.

Student advisors had self-assessment meetings- with Dr. Sean Maddan.

## I. General University Updates (San Miguel)-

Dr. San Miguel presented data with the colleges' advisors for undergraduates' and graduates 'caseloads by college. This information is important to track the number of students being successfully enrolled. Dr. San Miguel will send a copy of this report to the College Deans for their review.

Commencement speaker – Edmundo Gonzalez - Billy Hamilton will represent the system. Faculty will have a procession this time Faculty are encouraged to attend.

QEP initiative is currently looking for directors and co-directors. If you are on any SAC committee, please start submitting your data.

## II. Updates from Board of Regents Meeting and CAO meeting

SB 17 -audit on DEI related items (TAMIU websites, HR practices, polices) TAMU system Chief Academic Officers were informed that the TAMU universities would have system auditors auditing system schools looking for polices – anything that the university has done after SB 17 was passed. The highest risk would be on hiring practices.

Scholarship Lopez scholarship- you must be Hispanic- system is looking to see if these are kosher with DEI rules – system is still grappling on what to do.

## II. Inspire, alerts and advising (Dr. Maddan)

Inspire software- Dr. Maddan recommends that faculty need to use it more. Early alerts are not overly well used. Nursing requires faculty to submit the early alerts via Inspire but faculty already have a system to meet with students who are having academic challenges.

Recommendation to standardized reports across colleges. In starting that the focus is on student persistence. Cohort 2021 Cohort- 79% retention rate in 2021 was good. See attached report (Cohort Report 2021).

Currently, Dr. San Miguel is looking for a welcoming space for the Academic tutoring - a plan will be revealed later.

Discussion writing samples for faculty appointments- should we ask for a writing sample- preferred qualifications maybe. Deans were asked to reflect on this request.

Academic freedom - what can we say in the classroom vs. outside the classroom. When does the classroom time ends?

Faculty terminations- Board of Regents are wondering -Why are faculty leaving the A&M system? In terms of voluntary separations – board of regents – are wondering if have specific reasons for faculty leavin?

Auburn AI course still has spaces-

Acadeum- System is big on this system. Our students should only go into Acadeum if they need a course and we do not have it

Academic /faculty appointments with administrative duties- How much should they get paid. Administrator returns – pay no more than other faculty are getting within the college.

AEFIS- Dr. San Miguel asked that all faculty use AEFIS for annual evaluations and portfolios. All colleges are to be using AEFIS.

Expand on B.A. options to take a class for credit.

Part of the QEP is for students to learn a second language. Students have a 6SCH requirement to complete a foreign language.

2022 Cohort, fall 2023- see report- highlights are the enrollment dips across the colleges. 2023 enrollment

Variables - GPA- COED 2.75 Nursing 3.0, Business 2.0 -

Certification-

Dual enrollment students for the most part being in 24 SCH on average.