

## **Staff Meet & Confer**

**March 18, 2021**

### **President's Auditorium/TEAMS**

#### **Faculty/Staff/Students**

##### President's Remarks/Updates:

- Chairs of Faculty Senate, Staff Council and SGA all attend President's Cabinet meetings and provide updates. Due to this, everyone should know all that is going on at the Administrative level.
- GSC is working to finalize the contract with Aramark. The Attorney General has not signed off on this yet. There will be upgrades/changes to the cafeteria and food services, if approved.

##### VP for Administration Update:

- Rita said there was a meeting this morning about the bookstore. An updated contract will be sent to Barnes & Noble, and then GSC will have to 'demo' the location (LBH Conference Room; remove dividing walls, tear space down to bare minimum)
  - Barnes & Noble will do all work on location after we 'demo'
  - Starbucks will be in this location as well (as a part of the Aramark contract)
  - Still discussing parking situation for locations to involve the public.
  - Rita hopes all changes will be finished by August
- Bookstore Fee for Students
  - There will be a set fee (\$360) for every student for books. Books will be ordered and delivered by the bookstore. This includes Cengage. Course supplies can also be ordered with the fees if there are no books required. The fee covers full-time credit loads, exact number is still being worked out.
  - Dr. Morris was not sure if this covered summer books
- Working on campus beautification
- GSC received grant money for Fine Arts Auditorium upgrades. Stage Right is currently on campus working on these upgrades.

##### VP for Academic Affairs Update:

- GSC is partnering with Marshall University to offer Master's degrees in Accountancy and Pharmacy. Students will also be GSC graduates.
- The Administration is still working on the Nursing program. Dr. Manchin doesn't expect this to happen until at least 2023.
- Academic Program Initiatives:
  - In fall 2021, we will start enrolling Pharmacy students. Public Relations is currently working on billboards, commercials, news articles and social media posts to promote this degree.
  - In fall 2022, we will start enrolling for the graduate programs
  - Hope to have Nursing agreement and be ready to enroll for fall 2023

- Contracts for faculty will hopefully be ready in April. Tenure-track faculty are required to teach 24 credits/year; Lecturers will teach 30 credits/year.
  - Academic Affairs will still be looking to remove low-enrolled classes and low-enrolled minors
- COVID Update
  - There is currently only one student in quarantine
  - The Administration hopes to be able to open regularly in fall 2021
- HLC Campus Visit
  - This visit should happen in the fall for graduate programs
- Schedule Update
  - Dr. Morris is requesting no Hybrid courses be offered at this time. There are too many interpretations of Hybrid courses
  - The hope is to have students register for summer, fall and spring in April. Details are still being worked out
  - Dr. Morris wants to have four years of schedules prepared and on the website
- Off-Campus Office
  - Academic Affairs will be over the Off-Campus office. Dr. Clements will be overseeing this.
- President's Inauguration
  - There will be no classes the afternoon of the President's Inauguration
  - Staff should work with supervisors so they can attend

#### Business & Finance Update:

- GSC will be receiving federal money from Covid bill
- The Business & Finance office has been sending out year-to-date budgets to departments and offices. They ask that the reports are reviewed, in order to see what needs to be changed for next year's budget
- Bert met with Admissions to go over expected enrollment, and will meet with other offices/departments to discuss budgets.
- Bert has also had information sharing meetings with departments to go over Tim Henline's data

#### Vice President of Enrollment

- Admissions has received more inquires for Admission
- Counselors are currently reaching out to high school counselors to set up visits, and are also attending basketball tournaments and hosting virtual recruiting events
- Things are finally opening up for counselors to visit for recruiting
- International: 3 applications have been received from Nepal, and Admissions is waiting on 7 others
- Damages to student property in Goodwin Hall water leak will be replaced. They are looking at a possible 6 weeks to have Goodwin repaired
- There are plans for upgrades to Pickens Hall (possible pet-friendly spaces)
- DMAPS may be moving to the Riverfront Residence