

President's Cabinet Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2022

1. Student Email Concerns: Based upon conversations that Dr. Whaley and Dr. Ward have had with students at various campuses who have expressed concerns about getting too many emails, Sarah Self has been asked to work on guidelines for emails and distribution lists. Cabinet also discussed options for notifications about interim communications following staff departures. One suggestion was a request by the employee's supervisor for approval by HR to have IT turn on an auto reply.
2. CDC Update: Currently all counties are reporting cases as low, with the exception of Campbell which is at medium. TBR has given approval for in-person Commencement ceremonies with no spacing requirements. Don Conley suggested that we can lift spacing restrictions on labs and computer labs and testing centers. Dr. Ward will pull a team together to consider spacing/cleaning for summer and fall.
3. Expectant Mother Parking: The SGA has asked that we investigate the feasibility of designated parking for expectant mothers. Marsha Mathews and Jamie Stringer will reach out to TBR legal counsel, Beth Martin for guidance.
4. SOAR Awards: Invitations have been sent to Senator McNally, Speaker Cameron Sexton, and Senator Yager. The Stones will be receiving the Chancellor's Philanthropy Award. We have reserved one table for the awards dinner.
5. Commencement Update: Four ceremonies are scheduled – one for Friday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. and three for Saturday, May 7 at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. There will not be a President's Reception; however, there will be reception following the naming/dedication of the Art Gallery and the One-Stop. Pinning ceremonies of Dental Hygiene and Nursing will be on Thursday, May 5.
6. Retirement: Marsha Mathews announced that Stan Starkey would be retiring on July 31st.