

To: President's Cabinet  
From: Kelly R. Damphousse  
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### **Commencement**

Ms. Pantlik discussed ways to incorporate the student voice during commencement ceremonies, such as showing a 3 to 5-minute video collage of graduating seniors answering questions about their favorites – their favorite class, memory, and professor to name a few.

President Damphousse expressed his sincere appreciation for how well the commencement team ran the December 2022 commencement ceremonies; the ceremonies were meaningful and the perfect length of time.

With the addition of a video collage, Cabinet member discussed efficiencies that, if implemented, would keep the commencement ceremonies to about an hour.

At a future meeting, new Vice President for University Advancement Brooks Hull will review the TXST Ring Ceremony.

### **President's Cabinet Performance Goals 2022-2023**

Dr. Ekin highlighted his accomplishments from year-1 of his presidential fellowship. For instance, he helped establish the Data Science minor and certificate, form multidisciplinary research groups in data science, and host events (e.g., the College of Science and Engineering Data Science Symposium and Analytics Showcases).

Dr. Ekin also presented his goals for year-2 of his fellowship, including supporting TXST Data Science ecosystem, student success, and retention.

### **Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, January 16, 2023**

Dr. Secuban presented details of the Martin Luther King, Jr., March and Celebration hosted by the Dunbar Heritage Association on January 16, 2023.

Dr. Secuban added that TXST will host a Martin Luther King, Jr., march, program, and reception on January 17, 2023.

### **President's Report**

President Damphousse recapped three recent "Coffee with Kelly" events for Deans, Associate/Assistant Vice Presidents, and Chairs/Directors. Topics discussed were Run to R1, graduate tuition, and tuition discounts to dependents of benefits-eligible employees.

Dr. Damphousse announced that he will be attending a donor event in Dallas in the evening.

**New Business**

Mr. Algoe provided an update on winter construction projects.

Ms. Pantlik reminded Cabinet members of an upcoming active shooter training exercise.

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