

To: President's Cabinet
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Improve Operations and Enhance Infrastructure

Mr. Brooks discussed using strategic visual boards at donor events to highlight university priorities, including research, museums, arts, and collections, university centers such as Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training and the Texas School Safety Center, the master plan, financial aid and scholarships, and the Pac-12. The boards would include QR codes directing attendees to webpages with additional information.

President's Report

President Damphousse commended the Division of Student Success, the Department of Mathematics, the University Police Department, Athletics, Facilities, the Office of Sustainability, the City of San Marcos, student ambassadors, and volunteers for their outstanding work during move-in. He highlighted the smooth traffic flow and staging operations, welcoming atmosphere, and positive feedback from parents and families. He also recognized the teams involved in Jumpstart for delivering another successful event.

President Damphousse discussed topics arising from the August TSUS Board of Regents meeting, including legislative priorities for the 90th Legislative Session, TXST's continued growth and strategic progress, and the increasing number of students entering TSUS institutions with early college credit.

President Damphousse reviewed plans for the Esperanza Hall ribbon-cutting ceremony on August 19 at the Round Rock Campus.

New Business

Dr. Sivakumaran provided a preliminary update on fall enrollment, including freshman enrollment and current recruitment trends and challenges.

Cabinet members discussed new building access procedures at the Round Rock Campus and concerns regarding their implementation and potential impacts on evening and weekend instruction, clinical services, and student access.

Mr. Algoe discussed implementation of enhanced security measures for the J.C. Kellam Administration Building, including revised building hours, controlled elevator and stairwell access, and expanded BobcatCard access for faculty and staff members. The changes are intended to strengthen after-hours building security while maintaining appropriate access for employees.

Mr. Coryell recapped the women's soccer home opener, a 4–1 victory over UTRGV and highlighted the new concession setup at the Bobcat Soccer Complex. He announced that a groundbreaking for the Baseball/Softball Player Development Center is planned for this fall.

Mr. Coryell also reported that Boko's Backyard, the new football tailgating zone, was unveiled over the weekend and was well received. He provided an update on improvements to UFCU Stadium, including new speakers and wall wraps.

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