

Faculty Meeting

August 8, 2012

1. President – Tim Hynes:

- Welcome and introduction of Vice President for External Affairs, Kate Troelstra. Acknowledge retirement of Steve Stephens and thanked for 10 years dedicated service.
- Welcomed new Athletic Director Carl McAloose and thanked Mason Barfield for service to institution.
- Acknowledged new Faculty Senate Chair, James Keebler and thanks Antoinette Miller for serving in 2012.
- Highlight of the BOR meeting was the approval of the \$20 million budget for science building.
- Three premises discussed: One-Nature of Higher Education and its interpretation is a matter of framing. Two-Higher education as defined as either a private benefit or public good. Three-Higher Education as a safeguard to democratic institutions.
- Branding will be pressing issue over the next year and will be led by Ms. Troelstra and Ms. Cox and their colleagues.
- Campus meetings during the term on a wide array of issues – budget, technology futures, SACS and reaffirmation, refinements of strategic plan, and afternoon of food and beverages in the music building.
- Clayton State identified by the AJC as among the top 100 workplaces in metro Atlanta and 15th among institutions with more than 500 employees.
- CSU is ranked third in economic impact among state universities, at \$252 million and 2,311 jobs.
- Expressed appreciation for faculty and look forward to a new year.

2. Provost – Micheal Crafton:

- Brief welcome
- Deans introduce new faculty.
- Recognized those faculty members who are no longer at Clayton State.

3. Bookstore-Todd Smith: Overview of store and new textbook ordering services.

4. Faculty Senate-Antoinette Miller: Reviewed accomplishments of last year's Senate, P&T issues, introduced Jim Keebler as new chair. Keebler gave brief welcome.

5. Provost comments:

Enrollment numbers look good; budget allocation for upcoming year is good in comparison to other USG institutions. Science Building is looking more like a reality. It is a University goal to expand the library from one to two floors. SACS reaccreditation is forthcoming. New Branding Campaign is underway. Complete College Georgia is high priority. Strategic Plan Implementation year one is on the way. Engaged Learning Initiatives and ELI's coming. Additional comments regarding upcoming events. Wine and Cheese Reception will be at 4pm in the Music Building.