#### **Institute of American Indian Arts**

# President's Cabinet Meeting Virtual

Monday, December 7 | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Present:	Dr. Robert Martin, Angie Brown, Dr. Bill Sayre, Laurie Logan Brayshaw, Nena Martinez Anaya, Danyelle Means, Felipe Colon, Larry Mirabal, Patsy Phillips, Eric Davis
Absent:	Paul Moore
Guests	Jason Ordaz, Nicole Lawe

### 1. Opening

Patsy Phillips provided the opening.

#### 2. Opening Positive Note

The Biden Administration is considering Congresswoman Deb Haaland as Interior Secretary. The New Mexico Congresswoman would be the first Native American Cabinet secretary in U.S. history.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Martin introduced for consideration and approval of the President's Cabinet Meeting Minutes of November 16. Dr. Sayre made the motion and seconded by Nena Martinez Anaya to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

#### 4. Open House

Because of the pandemic, IAIA held its first Virtual Open House November 16-20. Overall, the event was successful and is available for viewing on the website.

Jason Ordaz shared the Vimeo video statistics from the week's events. There were 997 video views and 279 finishes. The videos with the most views were the Admissions application process, the Museum Collection tour, and open house welcoming remarks by Dr. Martin, Bryson Meyers, and Ellen Maldonado. The average view time was two minutes, fifty-five seconds, and the top hits were from New Mexico, followed by California, Arizona, Texas, New York, and Colorado.

Nicole Lawe presented social media stats. There were 48,816 reaches on the Facebook Ad. The total number of unique views between the eight live streams was 4,755. There were one hundred and twenty registrants for the Land Grant Watch Party.

#### 5. LFC Meeting Tuesday, December 8, 2:30 PM

Dr. Martin will attend the Virtual LFC Meeting on Tuesday, December 8, on behalf of the Tribal Colleges and IAIA. He would like to share with the Legislators the number of seniors who graduated this semester and how they compare to last year to show the number of seniors who have returned and graduated during this pandemic year.

The NMHED has declined to request funding for IAIA's capital project request for the upcoming legislative session. Last year, IAIA requested \$1.5 million to plan, design, renovate, construct and equip the Research Center for Contemporary Native Arts on the IAIA campus, recommended by NMHED. They reduced the amount to \$700,000 because they understood the project requested funding for our museum, which NMHED does not fund. The funding request was not for the Museum but rather to support IAIA's current students in Studio Arts, Museum Studies, and Native Art History programs. In his testimony, Dr. Martin will request an additional \$700,000 in capital project funding during the upcoming session to bring

the two-year total in state funding to \$1.4 million. The project's total estimated costs are \$3.8 million; IAIA has raised the additional \$2.4 million from private and federal sources

## 6. COVID-19 Testing

The Department of Health will no longer provide surveillance COVID-19 testing services on the IAIA campus because of the state's high volume of positive COVID cases, which requires them to extend testing hours in the Department of Health offices. Dr. Martin is working with the Indian Health Service (IHS) to administer rapid testing on campus or seek other alternatives.

#### 7. Public Health Order and Higher Education Institutions

IAIA is complying with the public health order for higher education institutions. With 25 to 30 people working on campus, we are below the health order's 25% capacity mandate. Dr. Martin encourages faculty and staff to refer students to the Indian Health Service or the New Mexico Health Department website to find test locations when they return home.

There are about 40 to 45 students in residential and family housing. About 25 have gone home for the break and have not returned, and numbers continue to decrease.

#### 8. ATD Data Minute

Institutional Research introduced Pathways/ATD Data Minute, a game designed to promote campus data literacy. In this game, they share data by asking questions and award a small prize to the participant with the correct answer. The goal is to promote active discussions and to understand the IAIA community.

## 9. Spring 2021 In-service

Academics sent a draft of the Spring 2021 In-Service schedule; they are trying to fill open slots for Monday, January 11, for in-service presentations or announcements. In-service will take place virtually; the welcome back is scheduled for noon, January 11, with lunch provided for those on campus.

Larry Mirabal suggested that staff not return from the Christmas break and work from home from January 4-8. The suggestion is not to extend the break but to allow staff to work from home following the holiday break to maintain COVID-19 safety protocols before returning to campus.

The President's Office will temporarily loan laptops to Institutional Advancement staff working remotely. In the event of delays or closure because of hazardous weather, all departments should strive to participate in scheduled remote meetings.

## 10. Academic Faculty/Staff Hiring Updates

The Academic Division hired Mario Caro as the Studio Arts MFA Program Director, who will start on January 11. They will conduct the final interviews for the Director of Distance Learning position.

#### 11. Admissions

Admissions for Spring'21 is currently 23, which is close to Spring'20 with 24. They will continue to accept students until January 4 and are expecting to see an increase. There are eight admits for Fall'21 compared to 13 for Fall '20. Because of the pandemic, there has been an increase in withdrawals for Fall'20, which are now at 50 compared to 23 for Fall'19. A high percentage of the withdrawals occurred in the Dual Credit/Non-degree programs. Degree withdrawals for Fall'20 were 15, which is more aligned with Fall'19 at 13.

## 12. MoCNA Reopening

MoCNA re-opened on December 2; their hours are Wednesdays' thru Sundays, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM through online reservations. Only the Wheelwright and MoCNA museums are re-opening this week;

all other museums remain closed. With the help of security, visitors continue to follow social distancing and mask protocols.

#### 13. Announcements

Lara Evans has been nominated as a candidate to the College Art Association (CAA) Board of Directors. Felipe Colon is encouraging all faculty to become CAA members.

Institutional Advancement has hired the following new staff members:

- Esteban Moreno, Services Manager, will begin on November 30.
- Beth Karevicius, Special Events Manager, will begin on December 9.

## 14. Closing Positive Note

All full-time faculty and staff have completed Title IX training.

#### Adjournment

Dr. Martin adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:55 AM.