Institute of American Indian Arts

President's Cabinet Meeting Monday September 20, 2021 | 11:30AM – 12:30 PM

Present:	Dr. Robert Martin, Angie Brown, Laurie Logan Brayshaw, Nena Martinez Anaya, Larry
	Mirabal, Felipe Colon, Suzette Sherman, Anita Gavin, Jason Ordaz, and Mary Beth Worley
Absent:	Patsy Phillips

1. Opening

Suzette Sherman provided the opening.

2. Opening Positive Note

IAIA campus has purchased an ADA-equipped van; Toyota representatives will be on campus to show individuals how the restraint and ramp systems operate.

Dr. Martin welcomed Mary Beth Worley, Director of Institutional Research, to the President's Cabinet; she comes to IAIA from Dona Ana Community College with over 20 years of experience.

3. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Martin introduced for consideration and approval the President's Cabinet Meeting Minutes of August 23. Larry Mirabal made the motion and seconded by Jason Ordaz to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

4. COVID-19 Update

The next IAIA Town Meeting is Wednesday, September 22, at noon. Four individuals- three students and one employee have tested positive for COVID–19. Three of the individuals were vaccinated and are in quarantine. Those who may have had contact with these individuals have been notified as part of the contact tracing process. They are quarantined and will be tested as soon as possible. To date, no one is symptomatic.

Dr. Ogren or a representative from the Department of Health will attend and clarify isolation issues and answer questions.

5. Academic Update

The Academic Dean identified 38 community members who may have been exposed and were moved from the dorms into family housing through contact tracing. Thirty-two of the 38 now have negative results, and five are waiting on their results. There are no reports of any symptoms. One faculty member has tested positive and continues to isolate. The faculty has accommodated those students who are in isolation, excused them from in-class coursework, and allowed them to work online.

The Dean is seeking a substitute instructor for the faculty member in quarantine. He is also posting to fill the positions for Native Arts History and a Museum Studies Faculty Member. Meanwhile, they have hired a new MFA Creative Writing Director, Deborah Taffa (Laguna), who will join IAIA on October 11.

Dr. Bill Sayre submitted the substantive change application for the MFA in Cultural Administration to the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) for review. Felipe Colon has received some questions from the HLC that IAIA will need to address.

6. Student Services Update

The projected enrollment for Fall 2021 is 514 FTE. Anita Gavin is working with Nena Martinez Anaya on a report that separates the online from the in-person students. Freshmen enrollment remains low because of the pandemic, and as it subsides, there may be an increase.

7. Holiday Market/Mowatt Crest Installation

The Mowatt Crest installation and the welcome ceremony will take place on September 29, with opening remarks by Dr. Martin, Dr. Jessie Ryker-Crawford, and a prayer by Geraldine Barney. IAIA is planning for a Virtual Holiday Market; because of the uncertainty of the pandemic.,

The TCU southwest presidents voted to cancel the 2022 AIHEC Student Conference. Due to the uncertainty caused by the pandemic, it may be problematic to cancel hotel and convention center contracts. Thus, the southwest TCUs will ask IAIA to host the 23rd Student Conference. However, IAIA will not host the basketball tournament. The Presidents agreed the tournament should take place in the North, which has the most TCUs.

8. Advancement Update

Suzette Sherman will be posting the Associate Director of Advancement, the Advancement Associate, and Advancement Services Manager positions. Currently, Gracie Schild and Linda Thompson are on contract and working on the year-end reconciliation and wrapping up the Scholarship event's final report, which netted over \$400,000.

9. Open House

There are 31 Open House event submissions, including a bronze pour, a Raku firing, and live MFA Creative Writing readings. In addition, there will be pre-recorded events, and the store will have merchandise for sale. Facemasks will be mandated, and visitors will be requested to be vaccinated.

10. Communications Brief

Nena Martinez Anaya and Jason Ordaz will continue with the "Many Nations, One Family" campaign; Veronica Clarke will continue to interview students to share why they stayed in school. During the scholarship event, students provided testimonials on why scholarships are essential. The testimonials reached over 3,000 on Facebook and 134 views on Vimeo.

11. CLE Commons Audio/Visual

Jason Ordaz and Laurie Logan Brayshaw have been evaluating the technology in the CLE Commons. They are working with AV Systems of Santa Fe to upgrade the equipment for programming in the space. The goal is to improve the technology as it relates to lighting, projection, and sound.

12. HLC Update

Mary Beth Worley and Anita Gavin will address the questions from the HLC on the MFA in Cultural Administration submission, with assistance from Dr. Sayre. Anita Gavin commended the Cabinet for their participation and input during the Indigenous Student Success Retreat.

13. Data Minute

Anita Gavin stated, since 14FA, 140 students have enrolled in the Business Certificate program as a first, second, or third major. She then asked, "What percentage of the students who are or were enrolled in the Business Certificate Program as a second or third major?" The correct answer was 52%; Dr. Martin came the closest to the correct answer with a response of 60%.

14. Announcements

KOAT's Royale Da will interview Dr. Martin and Kathleen Wall on Wednesday, September 22.

Adjournment:

Dr. Martin adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:20 PM.