

University Executive Council  
June 1, 2017 | BA 290 | 2:00 p.m.

- Accountability Report (Erica Contreras)
  - Published by THECB annually to gauge performance metrics compared to institutions of a similar size
  - Sent to TAMU System and Texas legislators
  - Important take-aways
    - Numbers do not include out-of-state online students
    - Fewer undergraduates, but proportionally larger graduate population when compared to peer group
    - Number of degrees awarded has increased
    - Below average tuition and fees (even after athletic fee increase)
    - Most students are paying more than the number listed in the report because of the guaranteed tuition plan
    - Students have a lower amount of debt than other schools in the peer group
    - Enrollment did not increase as rapidly as other institutions
  - UEC RESPONSE
    - Other institutions with higher tuition and lower debt must have a large endowment
    - Need to improve retention, recruitment, and the freshman experience (TRAC will help)
    - There will be another financial literacy speaker in the fall; send suggestions to Alicia Currin, Tina Livingston, or Erica Contreras
- Legislative/Appropriation Update (Tina Livingston)
  - SB 1 – the only bill that must be passed by Texas law
    - \$1.2 million reduction per year for TAMUC
    - Sunsets all special items b August 31, 2019
    - \$71 million to Texas Grant to fund 92% of all eligible residents
  - SB 533 – regarding published bids
    - Confidential information should not be published
    - Bids will be required for purchases over \$15,000
  - Three bills went to the Governor regarding Title IX
    - Will not be effective until Spring 2018
    - THECB will have to write provisions
- Tours (Derek Preas)
  - Tours of properties purchased in the areas around campus
  - Approximately 45 minutes in length
  - Contact Safety & Risk Management to schedule a tour
- Gee Lake (Derek Preas)
  - Algae currently growing in the lake is toxic and will kill the wildlife if left untreated; is not uncommon in private lakes and ponds
  - Strange look of the lake is due to the treatment to starve the algae—will be treated for 2-3 days
  - Will begin pond management program
    - Feeding management system for ducks
      - Bread is bad for ducks
      - Dispensary systems will be placed around the lake to provide good food for the ducks
      - Will help limit the amount of duck droppings
    - Choice of tint for the lake
- Student Travel (Derek Preas)
  - Inaccurate paperwork was on the recent audit findings
  - Risk assessment required for student travel 25 miles or further

- UEC RESPONSE: this information should be added to the travel webpage and reinforced (along with other travel guidelines, which are guided by System policies)
- First Year TRAC (Tabetha Adkins)
  - Copy of the common read, signature course listings, and promotional materials provided for all UEC members
- Athletics 2016-2017 Wrap Up (Tim McMurray)
  - Departmental GPA of 3.11
  - 43 scholar-athletes with a GPA of 4.0
  - 5 LSC championships
  - 8 NCAA Postseason appearances
  - 4 LSC Academic Players of the Year
  - 45 All-Americans
  - 62 All-Region athletes
  - 124 All-LSC athletes
  - 41 LSC Players of the Week
  - 17 LSC All-Academic athletes
- Announcements
  - Staff Council will be sending out emails requesting interest in serving
    - There are two job codes that are eligible this year
    - Service is a two-year commitment
  - Project Updates
    - P-3 will likely be behind schedule
    - Leberman Hall demolition is on schedule
    - KETR transmitter will be completed on schedule
    - Work on Children's Learning Center is on schedule