

# President's Advisory Team Minutes

January 25, 2023

## President's Advisory Team Members in attendance:

Carolyn Lepre, President  
Lynn Adkins, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance  
Humberto Aristizabal, Associate Vice President of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator  
Vanice Antrum, Director, Multicultural Affairs  
Joe Benyish, Chair, Staff Senate  
Eric Berkheimer, Associate Vice President of Facilities and Capital Management  
Jayme Block, Associate Vice President, Alumni Engagement & Development  
Melissa Boog, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Jessica Clark, Assistant Provost for Faculty Success  
Jason Curtin, Vice President, Advancement & Alumni Relations/Executive Director, SU Foundation  
Lawanda Dockins-Mills, Interim Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs  
Gerard DiBartolo, Director, Athletics and Campus Recreation  
Susan Eagle, Associate Vice President of Marketing and Communications  
Kelly Fiala, Dean, College of Health and Human Services  
Dane Foust, Vice President, Student Affairs and Auxiliary Services  
Clifton Griffin, Dean, Graduate Studies and Research  
Beatriz Hardy, Dean, Libraries and Instructional Resources  
Tracy Hajir, Assistant to the President  
Bea Hardy, Dean, Libraries and Instructional Resources  
Laurie Henry, Dean, Seidel School of Education  
Allen Koehler, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management  
Ken Kundell, Chief Information Officer  
Edwin Lashley, Chief, University Police  
Colleen León, Deputy Chief of Staff for Engagement  
Lisa Lepore, Associate Vice President for Human Resources  
Jennifer Martin, President, Faculty Senate  
Andrew Martino, Dean, Clarke Honors College  
Eli Modlin, Chief of Staff and Vice President of Public Affairs and Strategic Initiatives  
Karen Olmstead, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Maarten Pereboom, Dean, Fulton School of Liberal Arts  
Nicholas Plummer, President, Graduate Student Council  
Valerie Randall-Lee, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students  
Michael Scott, Dean, Henson School of Science and Technology  
Eric Stewart, Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications  
Karen Treber, General Counsel  
Christy Weer, Dean, Perdue School of Business  
Andrew Wilson, President, Student Government Association  
Janet Wormack, Vice President for Administration and Finance

1. **President's Remarks and Updates – President Carolyn Lepre**
  - Dr. Lepre welcomed everyone to the first President's Advisory Team (PAT) meeting of the semester.
  - Everyone is invited to attend the State of the University Address on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium.
  
2. **Salisbury University Police Department – Chief Ed Lashley**
  - Chief Lashley provided updates on the Salisbury University Police Department's (SUPD) scope and statistics.
  - Team members are encouraged to visit the SUPD webpage at <https://www.salisbury.edu/police/> for information on crime data and SUPD Safety toolkit information.
  - There was discussion on recent State of Maryland legislation that would legalize adult use of cannabis. It is important for campus community members to be aware of how this legislation affects them.
    - a. Concern that legalization will give the impression it is safe to use.
    - b. Waiting on clarification and guidance from the State's Attorney's Office.
    - c. Still illegal for student population under 21 years of age.
    - d. Valerie Randall-Lee, Dean of Students, indicated that the use and possession of cannabis remains illegal under the Federal Controlled Substances Act of 1970(SCA). As a result, possession is not permitted on campus for use or distribution. The University Code of Community Standards will not change with changes in Maryland law effective July 1, 2023.
  
3. **Updates from Around the Room**
  - Academic Affairs is working on a better understanding of Artificial intelligence (AI) programs, and is paying close attention to developments related to the Chat GPT program. AI uses natural language processing and speech recognition to create papers and documents in the users writing style. It's a learning algorithm that makes adjustments the more often it is used. Positive points gained from these conversations are that faculty engaging with students more often creates a co-curricular development between students and faculty including more open, inclusive pedagogy. Faculty will get to know their students

- On February 3, the Center for the Advancement of Faculty Excellence (CAFE) welcomes Dr. Kris Lee from Active Minds. She will present a virtual discussion titled, "Adopting a Healthy Mental Health Culture Cultivating Resilience Within Today's Complex Educational Arenas: What Faculty, Staff, and Leaders Can Do."
  - Middles States review has begun and a request for working group volunteers has been sent out. The link to an updated website link should be up soon with a schedule of work group meeting dates and other important deadline dates.
  - Samples of "Purple Folders" were distributed to the group. This is easily accessible material that will offer help to faculty and staff in assisting
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- The College of Health and Human Services has been very active this January, with an Advisory Board meeting; a learning session on Work/Life balance; and preparing next steps for the interprofessional education compelling vision

- Academic Affairs and Enrollment Management have partnered to create a new scholarship program aimed at students who have been placed on probation and are able to make it on the Dean's List in the next semester.
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- City of Salisbury Mayor Jake Day has accepted a position with the new Maryland Governor, and the new mayor, Jack Heath, will be sworn in to office on Friday, January 25, 2023 at 5 p.m. at the Fire Station on Cypress Street. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
- Posters on the Bay is returning to Annapolis, on Thursday, February 23, 2023. The department of Undergraduate Research has worked tremendously hard to make this possible.