

MU TABOR SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

DEAN'S BUSINESS COUNCIL

Notes from conference call on December 9, 2019 at 2:00 PM central time.

DBC members: Gary Hendrickson, Trevor May, Bob Smith, Kevin Stocks, Dave Weatherford

Tabor faculty/staff: Najiba Benabess, Shauna Mays, Becky Stubblefield

Agenda:

- Tabor Updates – Najiba Benabess
 - Faculty searches
 - Operations Management – 3 candidates visited campus (1 cancelled her visit); search committee has given Najiba their recommendation. We are waiting for a response from the Provost & President.
 - Financial Economics – 4 candidates visited campus; we have made an offer to our top choice and are waiting for his response.
 - Accounting – 1 candidate visiting campus this week; rest of applicants have not had the qualifications we were looking for; the search committee is continuing to review applications.
 - Winter commencement
 - Sunday, December 15, 2019
 - 121 total MU graduates; 11 from Tabor
 - Several graduates from Tabor & other areas are going straight into the MBA cohort beginning in January.
 - MBA
 - New “Evening” program cohort beginning in January; 17 enrolled.
- Enrollment & Internship updates – Shauna Mays
 - 72 students admitted, 3 have paid a deposit
 - Internships are needed, if you have a connection to a company who would be willing to offer internships, please connect with Shauna. Especially looking for internships for Finance majors.
- Team updates

- Alumni Engagement – Sheri Eichelberger, Trevor May, Kevin Stocks
 - Tabor Times fall issue went out in mid-November. Thank you to the team for your guidance in preparing this issue, and to all for continuing feedback on how we can improve with each issue.
 - After many discussions among the team and with Najiba and others at Millikin, the Gradway implementation has been put on hold. The MU Alumni office is preparing to implement a new Salesforce-based software, Affinaquest, and they want to wait until that is fully in place and functional. There may be some overlap in what we were looking for, so Najiba will keep working with Alumni to determine what is next.
- Career Preparedness – Nikki Garry, Jamie Rockhold, Bob Swartz
 - No report.
- Business Development –Matt Guffey, Gary Hendrickson, Zane Peterson, Bob Smith, Dave Weatherford
 - Gary and Dave are working on the marketing tool to be used in the exploratory, introductory meetings with potential partners. They have sent their draft to Najiba & Becky and will have edits by January 15 so progress can keep moving.
 - Bob and Zane have been compiling a list of companies to approach with these ideas and hope to start scheduling those meetings in late February/early March, as Najiba’s schedule allows.
- Spring On-Campus Meeting
 - Friday – Saturday, April 17-18, 2020
 - Becky will compile a list of classes & campus happenings on Thursday, April 16, for anyone who wants to arrive early.

NO CALL in January. Next conference call: Monday, February 10, 2020 at 2:00 PM central time.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!