

MU TABOR SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

DEAN'S BUSINESS COUNCIL

Notes from Zoom meeting on October 30, 2020 at 12:00 PM central time.

DBC members present: Sheri Eichelberger, Dena Arendt, Amber Kaylor, Trevor May, Zane Peterson, Jamie Rockhold, Bob Smith, Bob Swartz, David Weatherford, Craig Witt, Deb Youssef, Louis Javois, Nico Amoroso

Tabor faculty/staff present: Najiba Benabess, Becky Stubblefield, Elizabeth Wolpert

Absent: Tony Douglass, Wayne Dunning, Kevin Stocks

Welcome

- Dean Najiba Benabess welcomed the council to the meeting, and welcomed the newest member, Nico Amoroso! All members introduced themselves to Nico.

Officer Transition

- Najiba thanked Sheri Eichelberger for her service as the chair of the Council since its inception, and also thanked Nikki Garry, who served as the Vice-Chair for two years.
- Najiba announced that Dave Weatherford will be the new Chair, and Jamie Rockhold will be the Vice-Chair. We are excited for this new leadership team!

DBC Onboarding Program

- Jamie introduced the new DBC onboarding program – a way to get new DBC members connected and engaged. (Presentation will be sent with minutes)
- All onboarding information (including today's presentation) can be found on this Google Drive: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KdPF3t6WUNCvtGobgXAPvsWvKJvxs5>

- Be sure to set up a Zoom meeting with your partner this month!

TSB DBC New Member Onboarding					
<u>Current Member</u>	<u>Yr Grad</u>		<u>New Member</u>	<u>Yr Grad</u>	
Sheri Eichelberger	1983		Dena Kareotas Arendt	1983	
David Weatherford	1981		Wayne Dunning	1983	
Bob Smith	1975		Nico Amoroso	2008	
Trevor May	2016		Louis Javois	1988	
Jamie Rockhold	2014		Deb Youssef	1984	
Zane Peterson	2011		Tony Douglass	2005	
Bob Swartz	1998		Craig Witt	1986	
Kevin Stocks	2013		Amber Kaylor	2006	

Group discussions

- Najiba reminded the council that the main focus of these discussions should be “How do we make Tabor the business school of choice?” When asked to expand upon that, the following three categories were named.
 - Student experience
 - Faculty support
 - Sustainability
- Najiba then spoke about her strategic vision for Tabor, which includes expanding the graduate and degree completion programs, introducing a DBA program, and creating new space for graduate & continuing studies students.
- Najiba specified that we don’t want discussions to be put in a box - we want to welcome any and all ideas!
- The council split into breakout rooms for 30 minutes to discuss their ideas.

Group Results

- Each group created a virtual bulletin board with their ideas. Each group was given 10 minutes to give some of their ideas and take feedback from the council.
- Group 1 – Amber Kaylor, Bob Swartz, David Weatherford, Deb Youssef
 - <http://linoit.com/users/bstubblefield/canvases/DBC%20Group%201>
 - **Highlights:**
 - Different students have different expectations

- Build & maintain good relationships with alumni & faculty
 - New student recognition – frequent, consistent – camaraderie building
 - Modular certification programs
- Group 2 – Dena Arendt, Louis Javois, Jamie Rockhold, Bob Smith, Craig Witt
 - <http://linoit.com/users/bstubblefield/canvases/DBC%20Group%202>
 - **Highlights:**
 - Job placement data within Tabor
 - Cost – freeze tuition?
 - Onboarding new students, build relationships with faculty
 - Advertise how well we’ve handled COVID
 - Dual credit with community colleges
 - Specifically support student athletes
- Group 3 – Sheri Eichelberger, Trevor May, Zane Peterson, Nico Amoroso
 - <http://linoit.com/users/bstubblefield/canvases/DBC%20Group%203>
 - **Highlights:**
 - Value – why Millikin?
 - Connections – improve on-campus feeling; purpose
 - Framework – for alum to bridge gaps, build connections, etc.
 - Mentorship programs
- If you have any notes that didn’t make it onto the bulletin boards, please send them to Becky.

Closing

- Najiba thanked the members for their input and thoughts, and we look forward to continuing these discussions on our next call.

Next call: Monday, November 9, 2020 at 2:00 PM CST