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CABINET MEETING
November 17, 1980

NOTE: Although Vice President Sawyer was not in attendance at this meeting, the information was shared with him on November 18, 1980.

1. Announcements

The request for information for completing the 1979-80 Council for Financial Aid to Education Survey was received recently from the System Development Office, and U.T. Tyler information will be appropriately compiled and submitted.

It was announced that an information seminar for area media concerning the 67th legislative session generally and the U.T. Tyler biennial appropriations request for fiscal years 1982 and 1983 particularly will be conducted on the U.T. Tyler campus November 20, 1980. The general thrust of this meeting is to provide information about the forthcoming session as it pertains to higher education and U.T. Tyler in order to assist the media in understanding some of the matters, especially the appropriations request, that will be dealt with during the forthcoming session.

2. Response to Coordinating Board Draft Long-Range Plan

The November 4, 1980 letter concerning the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System Draft Long-Range Plan sent to the vice chancellor for academic affairs for use by System Administration in providing a consolidated System response to the commissioner of higher education was mentioned for the record. This letter was developed through Cabinet discussion since the November 3, 1980 meeting, and the vice presidents were copied. For specific content, reference can be made to the November 4, 1980 letter.

3. Dates for December Meetings

Since a Council of Academic Institutions meeting is scheduled for December 1, 1980, the next Cabinet meeting will be conducted on December 15, 1980 unless a called meeting is required before this date.

After discussion, the date of December 18, 1980 was confirmed as an appropriate date for the annual faculty and staff Christmas brunch.

Discussion was conducted relative to a December President's Hour meeting, and the date of December 5, 1980 was tentatively set for this meeting at which the primary topic for discussion will be the biennial appropriations request for fiscal years 1982 and 1983.

4. Commencement

It was mentioned for the record that a decision not to conduct a fall 1980 commencement was made by the Cabinet after receiving information from the Convocations and Commencement Committee following the committee's November 4, 1980 meeting.