

University of Wyoming
President's Cabinet Meeting

April 24, 2025

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. · Old Main Boardroom and via Zoom

Attendees: Chad Baldwin, Tom Burman, Jennifer Chavez, Parag Chitnis, Adam Comeau, Nycole Courtney, Tara Evans, Rob Godby, Alex Kean, Kelsey Kyne, Bob Link, RoseMarie London, Bill Mai, Kyle Moore, Ed Seidel, Mike Smith, John Stark

Guests: Whit Madere

Agenda and Summary of Discussion

- President Seidel provided opening remarks
 - President Seidel spoke about the transition of Interim Provost Scott Turpen. Interim Provost Turpen will return to the Deanship at the College of Arts & Sciences by August 1. President Seidel relayed his appreciation for the Interim Provost and the work he has done. President Seidel reminded cabinet that applications for the new interim will be due on May 21st with this individual ideally taking office on August 1st after Board approval at the June meeting. A national search will be conducted for the next Provost and will be launched soon.
 - President Seidel has been talking to people across the state about the Tier 1 Engineering Initiative. He appreciates all the input from across campus the community and the state.
 - President Seidel commented that Spring Convocation went well. He noted that some perceptions about the conflict between undergrad research and learning seemed to be shifting.
 - President Seidel discussed how cabinet meetings will be changing. There will now be posted public summaries of cabinet proceedings. From discussions with the Deans, it was decided that a Dean will join Cabinet occasionally and Cabinet members will participate in the Dean's Council, when appropriate.
 - President Seidel discussed the planned retreat with cabinet and deans in early June to work on big picture items. A message that came across in the recent meeting between The President, Provost and the deans was that Old Main needs to think more about how they serve the campus. President Seidel invited cabinet members to submit ideas for retreat topics.

- President Seidel closed by discussing the upcoming presentation by Dr. Paul Steinhardt. President Seidel encouraged cabinet to attend the various events associated with Paul's visit.
- Risk Assessment
 - Internal Auditor Madere provided cabinet with an update on the annual risk assessment prior to its presentation to FLAC at the May Board of Trustees Meetings. Madere stated that he would appreciate any feedback from cabinet and asked that they send him suggestions on areas where an internal audit may be most impactful.
- May Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda Review
 - Executive Director London gave an overview of the May Board of Trustees meeting agenda. Cabinet members were asked to briefly discuss their committee agenda topics for the May meeting. President Seidel shared that his verbal update to the board will primarily focus on the foundational areas of the university that need attention. London suggested that this would also be a good topic to bring to the July meeting.