

CABINET MEETING COMMUNIQUE
MEETING OF June 16, 2005

Present: Dilworth, Hanson, Jones, P. Moulton, Pierce, D. Seymour, Webb

- Dr. Hanson announced the following academic administrative appointments for next fiscal year, contingent upon approval by the Board of Supervisors: Dr. Steve Horton, Acting Dean of Graduate Studies and Research; Dr. Curt Phifer, Acting Director of the Louisiana Scholars' College; and Dr. Greg Granger, Acting Director of the School of Social Sciences.
- On Monday, June 13, Drs. Hanson, Moulton, and Webb; Carl Jones; and Roni Ramirez attended a SACS Leadership Orientation Workshop in Atlanta, GA. It was informative and productive. The following key deadlines were determined: Early Fall 2005—Completion of Compliance Audit for Mock SACS review during the fall semester; July 22, 2006—Deadline for completing Certification of Compliance materials; September 8, 2006—Final Certification of Compliance due to SACS; November 20, 2006, or soon thereafter--Feedback received from the off-site review of the Compliance Certification; January 29, 2007--Focused Report (institutional responses to external review requirements) and QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) due to SACS; and March 12, 13, and 14, 2007--On-Site Visit, with emphasis on the QEP.
- Dr. Webb pointed out that Northwestern's overall goal is to gain reaffirmation of its accreditation by the Commission on Colleges at the SACS Annual Meeting in December of 2007.
- Dr. Moulton pointed out the need for additional programming support to complete all of the SACS-related work.
- The Cabinet briefly reviewed financial projections for the coming fiscal year based on the information we have at this time. The next meeting of the Cabinet will be scheduled after the close of the Legislative Session.