

CABINET MEETING COMMUNIQUE  
MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2005

Present: Crew, Dilworth, Hanson, Jones, Moulton, Pierce, Webb

- Dr. Hanson reminded the group that the NCATE site visit for the evaluation of our teacher education and professional education programs for reaffirmation of accreditation is scheduled for October 22-26. Cabinet members likely will be invited to a dinner with the team one evening during the visit. Loren Blanchard (ULS) and Frances Davis (LASDE) will probably accompany the team.
- Dr. David Smith, our NCATE consultant is on campus for his final visit prior to the NCATE review. Drs. Hanson and Webb are to meet with him this evening.
- Mr. Crew pointed out that SACS will conduct a review of the NSU Elementary Laboratory School in November.
- The Cabinet discussed materials and website information pertinent to the October 12-13 follow-up visit relating to last year's NCHEMS Institutional Review and Noel-Levitz Assessment. Action Plans prepared in response to the recommendations contained in each report have been updated and are ready for review. The University's Strategic Plan, which involves participation within each division and unit, has been made more easily accessible on the University's webpage. Cabinet members conducted random tests of the various "hot links" that provide documentation relative to both Action Plans and the Strategic Plan. All links are functional, and information should be relatively available in the kind of electronic format required by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- Dr. Moulton announced that Dr. Webb has made presentations to faculty and staff invited to the "Coffee Calls" scheduled at 7:45 in the morning on several occasions. He will again be available for the Coffee Call session scheduled for tomorrow morning, in case our guests conducting the follow-up evaluations wish to attend. Otherwise, he will meet with the guests at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the President's Office. When all Coffee Call meetings scheduled for this fall have been completed, including one to be held

in Shreveport for the College of Nursing, there will have been at least sixteen (16) such opportunities for faculty and staff to hear presentations by President Webb and to interact with him. These sessions provide the President of the University opportunities to share institutional accomplishments and to express appreciation to members of the Northwestern Family for having made them possible.