

Good Morning,

Here is an update on a few items:

Veteran's Center Room Dedication. We will be dedicating a room in the Veteran's Center next Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 10:30 a.m. in memory of 1st LT Harold Douglas Martin '66. Classmates from the Class of 1966 made this dedication possible with their donations in honor of LT Martin.

Strategic Planning Review Session. All are invited to join Pat Sanaghan and me in a review of our progress on the 2018-2023 FSU Strategic Plan. The session will be held in Gira 397 on Friday, November 18, from 9 a.m. until noon. We will review our progress on the four strategic goals and the 12 strategic action items. If you plan to attend, please review our plan and our progress. Information can be found [here](#). Feel free to come at any time during the 3-hour session. This session is important in informing our campus on developing our future strategic actions.

Campus Visit Day. Our next campus visit day is this Saturday. I am very pleased with the applications and acceptances for next fall compared with data at this time last year. We are conditionally accepting students based on self-reported high school GPAs and other documentation. Using self-report data has made the process smoother, and we will confirm the data before final acceptances. At this point last year, we had 150 acceptances and 2 deposits. This year, we have 958 acceptances and 30 deposits.

Holiday Reception for Staff and Faculty. Please save Tuesday, Dec. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. for our annual holiday reception in the ARMAH. This is always an enjoyable event, and we welcome toy contributions to be distributed to families in need.

Women's Soccer. Our Women's Soccer team received an NCAA DII Championship playoff bid late Monday evening. Our women's team is seeded #2 in the Atlantic Region and will begin play this Friday at 3 p.m. against #7 Kutztown University. The game will be played at Gannon University and will be available for streaming on our athletics website. Go Bobcats!

USM Update. A quick update on a couple of items from the University System. First, you can access the USM strategic plan [here](#). It will help us as we discuss our campus plan. Also, USM has begun discussions on an updated process for the evaluation of transfer courses from Maryland community colleges. Comparison of course learning outcomes will be a critical factor in the decision of awarding transfer credit.

For your health and those on campus, please consider getting the flu and covid vaccine boosters available to you and stay safe.

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