



MINUTES

Kelce Leadership Team
8:30 a.m. – Room #121
October 14, 2025

Present: Alex Binder, Chelsey Decker, Paul Grimes, Holly Kent, Mimi Morrison

Absent: Lynn Murray

- I. Dean's Administrative Update
 - a. No PAL Council this week; Dr. Grimes met with Provost Bon one-on-one last week; two critical items:
 1. Need to inform faculty of President's Council's intent to rescind the ability of instructors to drop students for excessive absences. Administrative drops still possible upon request with approval of Chair and Registrar. Goes into effect with Spring semester. Dr. Binder will email faculty about this policy change.
 2. RED reorganization announced last week; Splitting Research and Economic Development into two separate units. Research to move under Provost Bon and to continue to be led by Ram Gupta. Wes Streeter to oversee Economic Development. See below regarding fate of our two open positions with RED.
 - b. Fall Career Fair is today at the Student Center. Encourage students to participate.
 - c. To the Stars State Business Awards Banquet; Thursday night at the Plaster Center, hosted by Governor and Lt. Governor; Dr. Grimes attending and representing us and Kansas Business Hall of Fame; Jane Talkington will also attend.
- II. New Building Issues
 - a. Meeting with architects and furniture vendor on Wednesday.
 - b. RFP for Snack Shop / C-Store; presenting to Downtown Advisory Board next Monday, the 20th
 - c. AV Equipment; questions and comments about latest quote forwarded to Mat yesterday; still awaiting final target number from Doug; should be approximately \$1M
 - d. Dr. Grimes is showing new building site to this year's Leadership Kansas class on Thursday morning
- III. Administrative Area Updates
 - a. FC – Alex: Math Dept wants to have a minor in “computing” – asking KCOB for approval since we just eliminated ours when CIS changed to DSIS – discussion followed – consensus agreement to let them use the title “Computing Minor”; had a discussion with DSIS Program Coordinator about a new proposed Intro course and other specific courses required for major – he will meet with the DSIS faculty to learn more; working on MPAcc self-study for Program Review; proposed summer budget has been submitted to budget office
 - b. ADGPB – Chelsey: Pitt State grad school will be at the Career Fair today; PMBA Fall 2 session began yesterday; working on reinstating students due to late payments; online MPAcc marketing and recruitment is now live with Risepoint – first class in January; still advising grad students for preregistration; met with Study Abroad committee on Friday – there is a pot of money available for study abroad student scholarships, plus passport stipends; fall commencement and MBA reception scheduled for December 13th – may need to find someone to fill in for her
 - c. DSES – Holly: KCOB-embroidered shirts have arrived and are ready for pickup; her study abroad meetings are scheduled for today and next Monday; have received contract back from University Counsel with revisions - need to return to Suitable; new posters will go up in hallway today; *Kelce Connection* – send story ideas to Holly; building task force has met: distributed draft of suggestions for beginning stages of move – discussed stages 1-4 – give additional feedback to Holly
 - d. ADUSB – Lynn: absent due to college fair in Wichita – no report

- e. ADMIN – Mimi: Kelce Deans office front door and door to 121 Kelce are both stuck again due to the building movement – Physical Plant staff will come and try to fix them again

IV. Personnel Updates – Positions Open

- a. Forecasting Director (with RED) – applications being accepted; position was not included in RED's budget – will need to find funding
- b. Data Technician (with RED) – position was included in RED's budget; Aaron moving new PD through HR approval
- c. Assistant Professor of Marketing – first finalist here last week; second finalist will be here next week

V. Old or New Business - none

VI. Adjourn – 9:45am

Fall Dates to Remember:

October 13 – Midsemester grades due
November 1 – Rumble in the Jungle
November 4 – University Authors Reception in Axe Library
November 4 – Last day to drop a single course
November 7 – Kelce Visit Day
November 21 – Last day of classes before Thanksgiving Break
November 27 – Last day to withdraw from semester
December 1 – Classes resume / Dead Week begins
December 8 – Finals Week begins
December 12 – Semester closes
December 12 – Commencement
December 16 – Final Grades Due to Registrar's Office

