



INDIANA UNIVERSITY
NORTHWEST

Board of Advisors' Meeting
September 12, 2019

Future Meeting Dates (*all meetings are 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.*)

- October 31, 2019, School of the Arts Gallery, Arts and Sciences Building
- Spring Semester 2020 meeting schedule will return to Wednesdays: February 19; May 6

Chair/Executive Committee Report

- Notes approved from 8 May 2019 meeting.

Board Member Vacancies

- Despina Liaskos has resigned due to work obligations. The IU Northwest Alumni Association board will appoint a new member.
- There is a BOA vacancy with the passing of E. Ric Frataccia. The Executive Committee is exploring several sectors to find his replacement (e.g., health care administration, financial services, and real estate). It is hoped to have a nomination for the October meeting.

Board of Advisors Committee Updates

- Experiential Learning & Internships Committee
 - The committee continues to work with the [Office of Career Services](#) (OCS) to ensure IU Northwest students achieve and maintain internships.
 - Since the committee began working with the OCS, there has been a 50 percent increase in student internship placements.
- Board Social & Cultural Engagement Committee
 - Future social and cultural event to be announced soon.
- Philanthropy Committee & Campaign Updated
 - IU Northwest continues to progress toward its \$8 million goal for the university-wide [For All](#) campaign, which is now in its final year.
 - BOA Leadership Program has received 15 student applications in its inaugural year. Student interviews were conducted and it is anticipated that the inaugural class will be introduced at an upcoming BOA meeting.
 - IU entered into a new fiscal year beginning 1 July 2019. All BOA members are encouraged to make their annual donation to the IU Northwest campus.

Chancellor's Update

- Student Survey
 - A preliminary survey of IU Northwest students showed that 18 percent indicated they are food insecure, with 25 percent noting they experience housing insecurity. The University will conduct a financial wellness survey among students at all campuses during Fall Semester 2019.
 - BOA members discussed the opportunity to become involved in the [IU Northwest RedHawks Nest](#), the student-run on-campus food pantry.
- Enrollment, Retention and Financial Update
 - IU Northwest's Fall 2019 enrollment was very close to projections. There was an increase in students who enrolled early, which positively affects both the students and the campus. Tuition and fee revenue increased compared to 2018 and the campus is working toward enrollment stabilization for Spring 2020.

- Student retention remains a serious challenge and campus priority and is the central focus of all efforts. To ensure students stay enrolled, the campus is:
 - Redoubling efforts to re-align its scholarship programs to ensure as many students as possible have access to scholarship support and fully understand their expenses and financial packages.
 - Working with students experiencing individual emergencies by providing the necessary support and resources, so they can continue to stay enrolled.
- The current financial status is sound and the campus works hard to ensure that status continues in the future.
- Campus renovations
 - John W. Anderson Library Conference Center is undergoing a nearly \$7 million renovation to modernize the building. The renovation should be complete in the next few weeks.
 - The Library Plaza/Courtyard has been transformed, thanks to a renovation, which features a stage for musical and theatrical performances, seating and study areas, and additional greenspace.
- Competition in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletics Conference
 - The start of the 2019-20 academic year marked the campus's official entry into the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletics Conference.
 - Fall athletic highlights include the start of the men's soccer program, as well as the women's volleyball team being tied for first place.

Campus Presentation: [IU Bicentennial](#)

Dr. Kelly Kish, Deputy Chief of Staff to IU President Michael McRobbie and Bicentennial Director

- The Indiana Seminary was founded by the Indiana General Assembly on January 20, 1820. During its inaugural year, the school featured just one teacher who taught Ancient Greek and Latin.
- The school expanded its curriculum and became Indiana College in 1828 and Indiana University in 1838.
- January 20, 2020 will be Indiana University's 200th anniversary.
- To mark this momentous occasion, the IU Office of the Bicentennial will engage faculty, staff, students, alumni, and the general public with programs that will celebrate, chronicle, and explore IU's history and inspire the next 100 years at Indiana University.
- Many of the IU Bicentennial events will stem from the Office of the Bicentennial's Signature Projects, Project Proposals, and other qualifying events being hosted with IU-affiliated campuses (like IU Northwest), schools, departments, and organizations.
- A listing of upcoming events taking place at the IU Northwest campus can be found [here](#).
- All BOA members were awarded the [IU Bicentennial Medal](#). Those who were unable to attend the September 2019 meeting will receive their medal at a future meeting.

Upcoming campus events and opportunities

- Fall 2019 Calendar of Events, IU Northwest School of the Arts (see attachment)
- 26 September – [Tamarack Hall Historical Marker Dedication](#) (11 a.m.)
- September 27 – [A Celebration of Faculty Research](#) (1:30 p.m.)
- 7 November 2019: [Chancellor's Medallion](#) (5:30 p.m.)

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