Board of Advisors’ Meeting  
February 9, 2022

Future Meeting Dates (all meetings are 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
• May 4, 2022 (in-person)
• September 14, 2022 (in-person)
• November 9, 2022 (in-person)

Chancellor’s Update
• Spring 2022 semester
  o The spring 2022 semester re-opened fully with very minimal disruption due to the Omicron variant. The campus continues to remain extremely safe with an 80 percent vaccination rate (79 percent students / 90 percent faculty/staff).
  o One of the significant consequences of the pandemic has been the devastating disruption of our communities. IU Northwest is still in the process of rebuilding its community.
  o The 2022 – 2023 academic year budget process will soon be underway.
• Strategic Planning
  o The Strategic Planning process continues, with two of the five goals directly aligning with enrollment/retention management: enrollment and recruitment, and retention and graduation rates.
  o The Strategic Plan remains on target for a spring 2022 launch.
• Commencement
  o The May 2022 commencement will take place on May 12, 2022, on the IU Northwest campus (similar to the May 2021 ceremony). All BOA members are encouraged to participate in the ceremony. Details forthcoming.

Presentation by Ryan Shelton, Director of Athletics
• Varsity athletics began at IU Northwest in 2000 with the opening of the Savannah Center.
• Athletics consists of: men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s cross country, men’s and women’s soccer, men’s golf, and women’s volleyball.
• In the last few years, IU Northwest has expanded its athletic program and competitiveness:
  o Accepted into the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference (2019)
  o Agreement with Nike as official uniform provider
  o Lakeshore Bone & Joint serves as the sports medicine provider
  o Hired first full-time women’s basketball coach (Jesse Ford)
  o Recent improvements, renovations and additions to athletic facilities, thanks to Terry and Karen McMahon’s philanthropy
• Continued investment and advancements of the athletic program is critical. Specific goals include:
  o Continue to add full-time staff for head coaching positions
  o Enhanced facilities
  o Increase engagement with alumni and donors, and fundraise for endowed scholarships
  o Stabilize current programs to be sustainable and look for ways to expand varsity sports
  o Utilize athletics as a recruitment and retention driver
Chair/Executive Committee Report
• Notes provided from the November 10, 2021 meeting.

Committee Updates
• Philanthropy Committee
  o The Office of Development is at 94 percent of its annual fundraising goal.
  o [IU Day](https://example.com/iu-day) is April 20, 2022. Save the date!
  o Scott Fulk, Director of Student Activities, is recruiting students to apply for The Board of Advisors Leadership Program.
  o Fiscal Year 22 will end in June. All BOA members are encouraged to make their annual donation to the IU Northwest campus before the fiscal year closes.

• Experiential Learning & Internship Committee
  o Committee is currently considering how their relationship with the Office of Career Services can be expanded to provide additional opportunities to more students. More details to come.

• Social & Cultural Engagement Committee
  o More details to come.

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