Community Update
October 23, 2012
New Office of Research

• Dr. Larry F. Lemanski
  – Executive Director and Chief Research Officer

• “Stretch” goal to increase extramural sponsored project grant awards to $10M in FY2013
Dr. Arlene Horn - Vice Provost for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies

- Significantly enhance sponsored research, scholarly, and creative activities
- Ensure a quality educational experience for all graduate students from application to graduation
Dr. Gary Peer – Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

• “It is a privilege to have been invited back to A&M-Commerce as Interim Provost/VPAA. After enjoying serving in the same capacity in 2009, coming back has felt in many ways like coming home, for which I am very grateful to more people than I can name. Thank you all, very very much.”
Noah Nelson - Director of Community Engagement and Interim Director of Media Services

- Cultivating and maintaining positive University partnerships with corporate and community entities
- Serving as chief media contact for university
Dr. Dale Funderburk - Interim Dean, College of Business and Entrepreneurship

- Hands-on learning through service opportunities & internships.
- Undergraduate and graduate degrees through five academic departments
- Foreign Exchange Programs
- Online degrees
Lisa Martinez, Interim Executive Director of Marketing Communications

- Enhance continuous year-round recruitment marketing efforts
- Bridge a gap between internal and external communications
- Help build interest, awareness and excitement for alumni and friends of the University
University Compliance Office

- Heidi Wright
  - University Compliance Officer

- “Mitigating risks and creating a culture of accountability through education.”
Training and Development

- Tammi Thompson
  - Training & Development Manager

- Goal: “Every employee will take a development class in FY2013”
Nursing Program

- September 17 – BON Site Visit
- September 19 – Approved by CAWS Committee
- October 18 – Approved by BON
- October 25 - THECB for Final Approval
Nursing Program

• Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)
• Main campus in Commerce
• To begin January 2013
• Combination of face-to-face instruction and web-enhanced courses.
• Clinical learning portion
  – state-of-the-art simulation laboratory
  – Traditional, hands-on instructor-supervised practice
• Initially, 30 students annually
Executive Searches

- Provost
- Athletic Director
- Assistant VP and Dean, Campus Life & Student Development
- Associate VP for Business & Administration
- Associate Provost
- Dean of the College of Business and Entrepreneurship (9/2013)
Facilities

RECENT PROJECTS

- University Drive and BA Parking Lot
- Water Line Replacement
- Ferguson Auditorium upgrades
- Cowling Demolition and New Parking Lot
Walking Mall Extension
New Outdoor Amphitheater
Facilities Update

- Phase II Residence Hall will be complete by July, 2013.
- New covered arena and expanded equine center will be complete by November.
- Cafeteria Expansion will provide 350 additional seats and will be complete by December of 2013.
Phase II Residence Hall
Equine Center – Agriculture Arena
Facilities

PLANNED EXPANSION FOR FUTURE GROWTH
- Phase II residence hall
- Student Center expansion
- Pedestrian-friendly campus
New Master Plan

• To address building needs at Commerce campus for the next 15 years.
• Met with architects on September 14
• Steering Committee named
• Meetings and Workshops
• Completion date April, 2013
Texas A&M University-Commerce at Rockwall
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- 25,550 sq ft
- 2610 Observation Trail
- Nov. 1, 2012 - Dec. 31, 2017 (62 month contract)
- COBE and COEHS Programs
- Potential Partnerships with Collin College and Rockwall EDC
SACS Update

- Steering Committee continues to meet bi-weekly
- Preparing letter for under-reported programs
- New Curriculum approval and Substantive Change procedures
- New faculty credentials form and future faculty database
- New IE process
- First Drafts are due November 16th
Faculty Center for Excellence

• Full-time director and rotating faculty associates from each college
• First floor of Library with entry facing the RSC
• Mission to promote excellence in teaching, learning and research
• Specific Areas of Support:
  – Student assessment of Learning,
  – Opportunities for enhancing teaching
  – Development of successful tenure portfolios
  – Professional opportunities for improvement in teaching
  – Assistance with obtaining and managing extramural funding
  – Faculty to faculty mentoring program
Global Programs

• Still a vital part of our academic program
• Will consolidate management to Associate VP for Global Programs, Dr. Rock Clinton
  – One central clearing house
  – One level of accountability
Global Programs

• Global Agreements:
  – Konkuk Global Frontier Program
  – Namseoul University (Degree Program)
  – Xian University
  – Handong Global University
  – Jeju University
  – Mahatma Ghandi Medical College
  – Nirma University

• We encourage our students to study abroad; we also encourage international students to come to this university

• Belgrade, Sarajevo, and Morocco programs winding down
International Programs

• Active programs:
  – British Studies (London, England)
  – Universitas Castellae (Valladolid, Spain)
  – Language Institute (Madrid, Spain)
  – Abbey Program (Pontlevoy, France)
  – Geoscience University (Beijing, China)
  – Costa Rica (Social Work)
  – American Institute of Foreign Studies (AIFS)
  – Argentina
  – Salmanaca, Spain
  – A&M System Courses
International Conferences

• Summit on Global Learning-Emphasis on Globalization in the Arts and Humanities
  – November 14-16, 2012 at A&M-Commerce

• International Conference on Drugs and Addictions
  – December 4, 2012 in San Jose, Costa Rica

• Co-sponsor of XIV International Conference on Globalization
  – March 26-28, 2013 at A&M-Commerce
Legislative Update

• Governor Perry’s Press Conference on 10/4/2012
  – $10,000 Degree
  – Freezing tuition for 4 years for students who graduate within 4 years
  – Outcomes Based Funding
  – Increased fiscal transparency and accountability
The $10,000 Degree

HIGH-QUALITY, LOW- COST WORK-READY DEGREE OPTION FOR TEXAS

- Competency-based instruction
- Close articulation with community colleges
- E-textbooks
## Metrics for Measuring Student Success Performance Based Funding

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<td><strong>Persistence</strong></td>
<td>Points awarded for students who complete their 30th, 60th, or 90th hour at the institution</td>
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REMINDER: Email Retention Policy

Email Deletion Schedule

- **OCT 31, 2012** – Messages older than 365 days
- **NOV 30, 2012** – Messages older than 180 days
- **DEC 31, 2012** – Messages older than 120 days

- Will impact Inbox and all sub-folders under it, including Sent Items
- Emails saved in the individual computers will not be impacted
- Archive tutorials can be found at: IT Support Center>>Knowledge Base>>Faculty/Staff
@tamu-commerce.edu Email Address Retirement October 31, 2012

**WEBSITE ACCOUNTABILITY**

- “Contact Us” section of your website.
- Email references on your webpages.
- Online forms and publications that point and reference old email addresses.

**PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

- Third-party online accounts subscriptions made prior to 2012 will have to be updated with new email.
- Other areas are, but not limited to, e-Newsletters, vendor contacts, social media sites used for professional purposes, student/professional distribution lists you administer.
Royal Roar – An Evening of Recognition and Celebration
Royal Roar

• Brought the Commerce Roar to Dallas with stations for attendees to learn more about A&M-Commerce programs

• Recognized 64 individuals and organizations for their generosity

• Danced the night away thanks to after-party sponsor, ATMOS Energy

• Save-the-date for next year: Friday, October 4, 2013
Go for the Gold – Homecoming 2012
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• Hot Dog Spirit Rally
• Bonfire & Fireworks Celebration
• Lion Picture
• Homecoming Parade
• Tailgate
• Homecoming Game,
  – Texas A&M-Commerce vs. Abilene Christian
• Hall of Fame Banquet

For more information and the complete Homecoming schedule go to: www.tamuc.edu/homecoming2012
Fall Enrollment Update

- Enrolled 12,000 students
- Preliminary certified # - 11,753
- 5.42% increase
- 8.92% SCH increase
Why we’re growing: We Care

Every student, every family matters.
No industrious, ambitious youth shall be denied an education, if I can prevent it.

Professor William Leonides Mayo