Council of Chairs April 7, 2018

Present: Bryan Hoyt, Jeff Cantrell, John Mark Adrian, Jacob Somervell, Michael McNulty, Margie Tucker, Amy Clark, Frank Frey, Robin Benke, Amelia Harris, Sandy Huguenin, Tom Costa

Absent: Cathie Collins

Ms. Harris reminded the group that Research Day is April 20 and asked them to encourage students and faculty attend. The schedule was sent to everyone via email.

Mr. Huguenin said the state budget is still in limbo; an agreement may be reached by May 1.

Asked if faculty salary adjustments were still on track, Mr. Huguenin replied yes and said a committee of faculty are working on it.

Mr. Somervell reported his department has strong concerns about class scheduling for athletes. Several students said they have been told they cannot take classes between noon and 5 p.m. Mr. Costa said this was a misunderstanding and he will discuss it with Kendall Rainey. Mr. Costa also the new conference will be a positive change, resulting in less travel time and fewer overnight stays.

Ms. Tucker said summer camps for children are being planned focusing on astronomy and other sciences. Dates will be announced later.