

A Briefing from the President – Dr. F. Dominic Dottavio,  
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## **CABINET HIGHLIGHTS**

Tarleton’s Executive Cabinet consists of the President, Vice Presidents and Chief of Staff. The group meets weekly to discuss business of the University.

### **University Committee Structure Update**

Last week committee chairs from across campus met in two different focus groups to provide input on changes to the university’s committee structure. Both groups answered key questions and provided thoughts as to what should and shouldn’t change about the current structure, as well as what must be included to ensure the success of training and implementation of SharePoint committee tools. SharePoint is a customizable Microsoft product that will serve as a repository for all committee documentation and meeting materials.

### **Budget Advisory Council Assists with TAMUS Budget Guidelines**

The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents has pledged System institutions will offer guaranteed tuition programs for all freshmen in FY2015. Tarleton’s BAC is currently offering input to Tye Minckler, Vice President for Finance & Administration/CFO, on a plan to accomplish this System initiative. Additionally, the BAC is providing feedback on the consolidation of various mandatory fees into a single fee. This approach will be similar to fee consolidation processes executed by Texas A&M University and Texas A&M University-San Antonio.

### **Tarleton Alumni Association**

The Tarleton Alumni Association and Tarleton State University are teaming up. The Tarleton Alumni Association Board of Directors recently voted to dedicate 100% of future membership dues to student scholarships. Additionally, Tarleton will assist the Association with operational duties in order to provide exemplary service to current and future alumni. For additional details please visit:

<http://www.tarleton.edu/scripts/press/display.asp?id=4245>

### **Sodexo on Campus**

An executive team from Tarleton’s dining services partner, Sodexo, was on campus last week to hold meetings with various university leaders. As a part of their strategic planning process Sodexo regularly meets with their university partners to set priorities and investigate strategic initiatives. Of interest to Sodexo is Tarleton’s significant growth, focus on students and our progressive strategic direction. We value our relationship with Sodexo and look forward to a long and fruitful relationship providing exemplary service and transformative experiences to our students.



Happy Thanksgiving

*“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.”*

*-John F. Kennedy*