

CHANCELLOR REMARKS FOR ALL-CAMPUS MEETING

Friday, January 6, 2006

Good morning. Thank you all for coming this morning. I know everyone is busy getting ready for the beginning of the Spring semester on Monday.

I hope everyone had a good holiday break.

I want to point out the information that is at your table. Fast Facts has been updated with Fall 2005 statistics. Feel free to take those with you when you leave.

They are a nice handout for people who ask about IU South Bend. More are available from the Communications and Marketing department, if you need them.

- Preliminary Spring semester enrollment figures

I want to give you a quick update on preliminary Spring semester enrollment numbers.

As of late yesterday 5,852 students are enrolled, which is 6 percent behind last year.

Credit hours stand at 56,580 which is also about 6 percent behind last year.

We won't know the final figures until census which is next Friday.

- NCATE accreditation

Thanks to Karen Clark, Lee Smith, Miriam Shillingsburg and all of the faculty and staff of the School of Education.

- Higher Learning Commission Accreditation

Hard work is underway in preparation for 2007 visit. I want to thank co-chairs Eileen Bender and Becky Torstrick for their leadership on this important project. I know there are a lot of other people helping them. It is truly a campus-wide wide effort.

- Pedestrian bridge construction underway

We held a wonderful groundbreaking on December 1. It was cold and snowy but spirits were high and we had a good turnout of people.

Elected officials who were there included Congressman Chris Chocola, State Representative Pat Bauer, and Mayor Steve Luecke.

Cora Breckenridge was there representing the IU Board of Trustees.

And we were honored to have Lieutenant Colonel Donald Low-zon, commander of the Detroit district of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers join us.

I have received many congratulations from community leaders.

- Completion in about one year
- Working on plans to develop the property – parking and recreational fields
- Awaiting guidelines for student housing from IU Board of Trustees

For those of you who haven't seen the construction area we have a special treat for you this morning.

Jim Yokom from instructional media services and Gary Browning from Information Technology have set up an online web cam so we can watch the construction as it takes place.

The camera is in Michelle Russo's office on the third floor of the library and provides an excellent view.

Here is the picture. We are calling it "Bridgecam". It is updated every 30 seconds.

Bridgecam is available online. Just go to the IU South Bend home page and click on Popular Sites and then click on Bridgecam. Or you can go directly to [www.iusb.edu](http://www.iusb.edu-slash-bridgecam) -slash-bridgecam.

The communications and marketing department will be sending out instructions on the campus digest.

We will also be sending out a press release so the entire community can watch the daily construction, if they want to.

Even though it is riveting, I don't want you to spend too much time watching it.

- **Elkhart Center**
Fundraising nearly complete for new permanent home for IU South Bend Elkhart Center in downtown Elkhart.
All of the money raised is from individuals and businesses. No state money will be used.
A wonderful example of the commitment of the community to higher education and to IU South Bend in Elkhart.
Groundbreaking may take place as soon as March.
- **Associates Building**
Short session of the state legislature is underway.
I am continuing to meet with legislators about the project.
The short session usually doesn't consider capital appropriations but I hope to set the stage for the next session.

Get on the Bus scheduled for February 21. I'd like to have another large turnout from IU South Bend at the Statehouse.

- **Administration Building renovation campaign**
A committee of community leaders is in the early stages of a campaign to raise money for renovation of the Administration Building.

Seeking \$2.5 million to help restore the sparkle the building had when it originally served as the home office for The Associates company.

We expect the campaign to get underway in the Spring.
- **In-state tuition for Michigan students**
Working on a proposal to present to the IU Board of Trustees that would allow IU South Bend to assess in-state tuition for students in Cass, Berrien and St. Joseph counties in Michigan.
- **Two nation-wide searches are underway.**
Dean of the School of Education

Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs / Registrar

- Pleased to announce that two Director positions have been filled.
- Jeff Dun-woody is the new Director of the Bookstore. He started his position this week. Jeff is with us this morning, Jeff where are you? Welcome.
- Cyndy Sear-foss is the new Director of the Alumni Office. She will begin on January 23rd.
- IU South Bend once again surpassed its goal for the United Way Campaign
Raised \$28,915 which is 107% of goal.

Thanks go to Jennifer Klein and Rob DuCoffe for their leadership and to everyone who contributed.

2005 was a tough year for fundraising because of the tsunami and hurricane Katrina. I am very proud that IU South Bend dug deep to help the local community.

- Use this meeting to unveil the new IU South Bend television commercials
Two 30 second commercials based on the IU South Bend video.

They will begin running on the local broadcast stations in February.
Let's take a look.

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- Thank you for everything you do for IU South Bend.
- Any questions?
- Other people with announcements.