



KELCE  
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS  
Pittsburg State University

**MINUTES**

Kelce Leadership Team  
8:30 a.m. – Room #121  
November 11, 2025

**Present:** Alex Binder, Chelsey Decker, Paul Grimes, Holly Kent, Lynn Murray, Mimi Morrison

- I. Dean's Administrative Update
  - a. No PAL Council yesterday
  - b. Groundbreaking ceremony held for Tyler Research Park's Prove Out Facility; President Newsom, Congressman Schmidt; Provost Bon; and Regent Benson all spoke; Ed McKechnie served as MC; very, very cold!
  - c. Professor Sang Lee planning a new book drive for Africa Transformation University in Kigali; seeking new books 5 years old or less (publication date of 2020 or more recent)
  - d. Dean Grimes asked to serve on the task force exploring the options for course scheduling software; large group from across campus
- II. New Building Issues
  - a. Snack Shop / C-Store; Dean Grimes gave site tour yesterday to owners of a local coffee shop who wanted to see the retail and kitchen space in the new building
  - b. Meeting immediately after KLT this morning to discuss painting schemes and wall options with Tessere; if time is available on the call, we'll also discuss BGS key pedestal; option for fans on the balcony
  - c. Mat scheduled another tour for Friday at 12:30 p.m. for the Leadership Crawford County group (13 participants); Dean Grimes will lead the tour
- III. Administrative Area Updates
  - a. FC – Alex: Issue about who can serve as Instructor of Record for graduate internships – instructor needs to have graduate faculty credentials – discussion – Dr. Binder will get advice from the Graduate Council concerning if our coordinator can become graduate service instructor for multiple disciplines; Graduate faculty meeting is today with Dr. Bon; Dr. Binder is serving on the task force for faculty travel funds – will send out survey; also serving on task force for UG curriculum that will meet soon – we have several curriculum reforms to put through the process; Econ Club meeting is tomorrow
  - b. ADGPB – Chelsey: grad students still coming in for advising; online MPAcc will begin in January – not a lot of applications to date because of limiting admissions criteria – KLT discussed conversations of faculty with Risepoint's instructional designers – Chelsey will consult with university attorney before talking to accounting faculty about the issue of promoting the MPAcc as an opportunity to prepare for the CPA exam
  - c. DSES – Holly: Suitable contract has been finalized and needs President's approval; internship reception is this Thursday afternoon in OSC 1:30-2:30 – summer and fall interns and representative employers will be there; W@W will be meeting tomorrow to hold officer elections
  - d. ADUSB – Lynn: Gorilla Gathering in Tulsa went well last week; administration is looking at buying our own mass transportation vehicles for downtown shuttle; Friday was first Kelce Visit Day with 71 students from 7 schools participating with 10-12 high school faculty; cancelled FBLA date due to calendar conflicts - will be postponed until next semester; UG AOL Committee meets on Friday – have results from MFT exam and will discuss
  - e. ADMIN – Mimi: toured new building yesterday with local business group and 2 students on the building task force; will start working on boxing up things the week of Thanksgiving (Monday & Tuesday)

- IV. Personnel Updates – Positions Open
  - a. Forecasting Director (with RED) – applications being accepted; still no funding
  - b. Data Technician (with RED) – Dr. Binder is organizing the search committee – committee will be Alex, Shipra & Michael with Dr. Grimes as the final decision maker (Dr. Binder noted that under the new HR rules, the dean will no longer be eligible to serve on search committees.)
  - c. Assistant Professor of Marketing – offer letter has been sent by President’s Office; awaiting decision
- V. Old or New Business – none
- VI. Adjourn – 9:30 a.m.

**Fall Dates to Remember:**

November 21 – Last day of classes before Thanksgiving Break  
November 27 – Last day to withdraw from semester  
December 1 – Classes resume / Dead Week begins  
December 8 – Finals Week begins  
December 8 – Kelce Holiday Party  
December 12 – Semester closes  
December 12 – Commencement  
December 12 – Graduate Business Reception  
December 16 – Final Grades Due to Registrar’s Office