

Council of Deans

April 17, 2013

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:00 am on Wednesday, April 17, 2013. Steve Runge presided and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Kurt Boniecki, Elaine McNiece, Mike Casey, Diana Pounder, Wendy Castro, Neil Hattlestad, Maurice Lee, Steve Addison, Rollin Potter, Laura Young, Michael Hargis, and Art Gillaspay.

A motion was made by Pounder to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2013 COD meeting. Casey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Minutes were approved as circulated.

Minutes were distributed from the March 26, 2013, Undergraduate Council Meeting. Boniecki moved to recommend approval to change LING 4370 from an elective to one of three options in the required core. Potter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval to delete ENGL 3335 and SPCH 3303 from the list of electives in the major and minor in linguistics. Potter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval to change the CLEP rule for first year writing. Potter seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Glenn moved to table the item until further rationale is provided for the change. Casey seconded the motion. Motion to table the item passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend eight courses to the list of electives in the major and minor in creative writing. Potter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval to substitute WLAN 4330 for MIST 4321 in the Teaching and Learning minor. Pounder seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of a new course CHIN 1111. Lee seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of a new course SPAN 4397. Lee seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of three new BIOL courses (Neuroethology, Extreme Organisms and Pathogenic Microbiology). Addison seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval for a prerequisite change not increasing total hours for a major or minor. Addison seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Three curriculum change proposals were distributed from the General Education Council. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of a new course ENGL 1320. Lee seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of a new course SPCH 1xxx (Communication Culture and The Arts). Potter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Boniecki moved to recommend approval of a new course SPCH 1xxx (Communication and Civic Engagement). Potter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dean Reports

Young mentioned (1) plans for commencement on May 4, 2013. Marshals are asked to keep an eye out for inappropriate signs on clothing or robes and (2) notices will be out later this week regarding capital requests.

Lee announced the First Undergraduate Research Symposium for the CLA on April 25, 2013.

Pounder mentioned her continued efforts to streamline and simplify reporting at all levels.

Boniecki shared news regarding the lack of available funds from the IDC to support summer stipends for service learning development.

McNiece announced (1) all funds have been expended for student research and (2) Graduate Council meets tomorrow.

Hattlestad announced the Student Research Symposium for the CHBS on April 23, 2013.

Addison announced the Student Research Symposium for the CNSM on April 19, 2013.

Castro stated (1) we will pilot the General Education rubrics this fall and (2) assessment plans will need to go back to the college curriculum committees this fall.

Tim Atkinson and Kay Hinkle joined the meeting at 10:00 am

Runge distributed an organizational chart for Academic Affairs with a list of departments reporting to each Dean and Associate Provost. The meeting continued until 12:15 pm with each COD member briefly sharing updates on activities and recent events within their respective colleges and departments.

Highlights included:

- Logistics Program to begin in the COB
- \$5.5 mil in grants and sponsored programs received this academic year
- Collaboration with CHBS and Conway Regional to develop center for learning
- EPIC accomplishments and awards
- Counseling internships for Psychology students

Runge spoke about Study Abroad and International Students. We will focus our recruiting efforts on degree seeking International students instead of enrolling those students for just one semester of intensive English programs.

Runge announced the decision to move the Division of Enrollment Management under the direction and leadership of Academic Affairs. Runge distributed the current organizational chart for Enrollment Management and said more information on reporting lines would be forthcoming over the next few months. Runge stated the focus for UCA is on *building* enrollment rather than growing enrollment.

Kay Hinkle expressed her appreciation and gratitude for everyone's hard work and dedication to UCA.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.

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