

1. Faculty Load Task Force

- A Faculty Load Taskforce was created, in coordination with the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, to study faculty load on campus and make recommendations with regard to the inconsistencies identified during the last academic year by the Faculty Affairs I Committee.
- The taskforce is expected to begin meeting in September 2016.
- Taskforce membership:
 - Duston Morris, Chair
 - Reid Adams (CNSM)
 - Tammy Benson (CoE)
 - Carey Clark (CFAC)
 - Susan Gatto (CHBS)
 - Charlie Harvey (CLA)
 - Michael Rubach (CoB)
 - Amy Baldwin (University College)
 - Laura Young (provost's designee)

2. Honors College Dean Search

- Last year, Dr. Rick Scott announced his retirement this coming July 1, 2017.
- An Honors College Dean Search Committee has been formed and the search for a new dean will begin this fall.
- Committee membership:
 - Steve Tucker, Chair (CHBS)
 - Charles Harvey (CLA)
 - William Slaton (CNSM)
 - Alicia Cotabish (CoE)
 - Lisa Mongno (CFAC)
 - Donna Bowman (Honors College)
 - Patricia Smith (Honors College)
 - Doug Corbitt (Honors College)
 - Laci Lyons (CoB)

3. Student Success Scholarship (handout)

- New need-based scholarship for all PELL eligible students only.
- The scholarship is a one-time scholarship equal to \$250 available to first-time freshmen students.
- Initiative resulted from Black Male Retention Working Group, in coordination with the Student Success & Retention Council, to incentivize at-risk students to attend UCA student success programming activities.

- The scholarship is being managed by the Office of Student Success, in coordination with the Office of Financial Aid.

4. Transfer Days

- The university will begin hosting “Transfer Days” at several Arkansas two-year schools during 2016-2017 academic year to familiarize students with our 2+2 agreements.

5. Other Announcements:

- Meeting on campus with UAMS provost Monday, August 29th to discuss possible agreement/program for assisting students with non-traditional academic backgrounds with gaining admission into UAMS professional programs.
- Diversity After Hours Reception – September 20th, 4pm-6pm, Fireplace Room
- General Faculty Meeting booklets available for those who were unable to attend the meeting this past Tuesday.