Student Success and Retention Council July 10, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Jonathan Glenn (Chair), Jacob Held, Amber Hall, Ben Rowley, Chad Hearne, Cheryl Lyons, Julia Winden Fey, Stephanie McBrayer

Members absent: Susan Sobel, Nancy Gallavan, Don Bradley, Scott Nadler, Angela Jackson, Leigh Ann Denhartog, Ashley Ross

Handouts (sent via email): (1) Proposed Meeting topics through October and (2) Meeting Agenda for 7/10/14

Glenn requested the council use the traditional method for approving meeting minutes instead of circulating and voting on minutes via email. Members were in agreement with this idea. Effective immediately minutes will be sent with the agenda prior to each meeting.

Glenn reviewed the guiding principles developed at the June SSRC meeting. Establishing guiding principles will help UCA set priorities. Glenn would like to see the guiding principles posted in blog format so the SSRC can receive feedback from the UCA community. Glenn will provide a practical and philosophical explanation of the guiding principles to the Staff Senate, Faculty Senate and SGA in hopes of gaining their endorsement and commitment.

Rowley made a motion to revise guiding principle # 3 to read "The faculty and staff of the University of Central Arkansas commit themselves to accepting responsibility and accountability for *consistently measuring evidence of student success.*" Winden Fey seconded the motion. Motion passed, all in favor.

Winden Fey led discussion on early warning systems to notify faculty, advisors and financial aid counselors of students on academic probation and in jeopardy of losing financial aid. Grades First is such a system and is rolling out this fall for all freshman.

Glenn discussed topics for up-coming SSRC meetings based on SBAC proposal deadlines. He would like to submit a proposal to expand Supplemental Instruction (SI) and implement the UCA Steps program. Discussion followed. Glenn requested that Amber Hall, Vicki Wyeth, Julia Winden Fey and Kurt Boniecki meet to develop recommendations to the SSRC related to expansion of SI.

Winden Fey mentioned a conflict with the August SSRC meeting. One of the new Student Success programs will be underway. Members agreed to move the next meeting date **from August 7th to either August 5 or August 14**. Winden Fey will let Glenn know which date is better. Members also agreed to cancel the meeting for August 21 due to the first day of classes.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm