

Council of Deans  
September 25, 2013

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 25, 2013. Steve Runge presided and the following members were present: Steve Addison, Kurt Boniecki, Art Gillaspay, Wendy Lucas, Gary McCullough, Diana Pounder, and Terry Wright. Jonathan Glenn and Laura Young were absent. Michael Hargis was represented by Ken Griffin, and Maurice Lee was represented by Peter Mehl.

1. Rick Scott, Dean of the Honors College, was present. He explained a plan from the Honors Council to increase student theses, departmental and Honors College. Scott also discussed earlier identification of students who could compete at a national level for awards. A comprehensive list of these types of awards will be developed.
2. COD Minutes of September 18 were approved as circulated.
3. Boniecki shared information regarding the International Baccalaureate. A table should be developed with the IB curriculum and courses UCA will accept, similar to process for granting AP credit.
4. Boniecki presented one item from the Undergraduate Council meeting of September 19. He moved that the 27 hour rule for declaring a major have flexibility to allow the advisor to recommend an extension to the registrar for review. Following a second, the motion passed unanimously.
5. Runge shared information about Family Day, October 12. Discussion followed.
6. Announcements
  - a. Distinguished Scholars Day needs more coordination between offices.
  - b. Council members should attend budget workshops.
  - c. Do not share banner or other access codes. To do so is in violation of UCA policy and state law.
  - d. A meeting was held last week with national director of a cyber innovation center.
7. Dean Reports
  - a. Wright distributed a sheet of Arts Week activities, and shared information about the premier of *Sympathy Pains*.
  - b. McCullough will bring graduate council actions to COD next week.
  - c. Pounder led a discussion of RSO funding.
  - d. Mehl announced a lecture by Bill Schwab, Scholar-in-Residence.
  - e. Lucas reported on Information Night in Rogers, and invited members to attend the information night at Ft. Smith tomorrow. Bear Facts Days were discussed.
  - f. Addison invited everyone to attend the STEM Institute open house Thursday, September 26.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

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