

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 2:33 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2014. Steve Runge presided and the following members were present: Steve Addison, Kurt Boniecki, Art Gillaspy, Jonathan Glenn, Michael Hargis, Gary McCullough, Terry Wright, and Laura Young. Maurice Lee, Diana Pounder, and Wendy Lucas were absent. Debbie Barnes, Assistant Dean of the College of Education, attended on behalf of Diana Pounder. Peter Mehl, Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, attended on behalf of Maurice Lee. Joanna Caster Post, Director of General Education, was present for agenda item three.

1. The COD minutes of January 15, 2014, were unanimously approved.
2. The Undergraduate Council actions of January 21, 2014 were presented by K. Boniecki. All actions were discussed and approved.
3. The General Education Council actions of January 16, 2014, were presented by K. Boniecki. All actions were discussed and approved.
4. S. Runge distributed a list of identified space concerns and proposed methods for alleviating those concerns. Discussion followed. Council members were asked to review the list and provide any feedback to the Provost's office by the end of the day on Tuesday, January 28, 2014.
5. S. Runge informed Council members that supplemental payroll checks were distributed last Tuesday. Discussion followed.
6. S. Runge stated that the Office of International Engagement has proposed that the name of the Study Abroad program be changed to Education Abroad. Discussion followed. S. Runge stated that this issue will be tabled until the next meeting of the Council of Deans.
7. Provost's Announcements
 - a. The Student Success and Retention Council was brought before the Faculty Senate, and was tabled by the Senate.
 - b. The Chief Technology Officer Search Committee recommended that Mr. Toney Flack was not the best fit for the University. The Provost accepted their recommendation and President Courtway was notified. The Committee will meet tomorrow and begin looking at the applicant pool again.
 - c. The Centralized Scheduling Work Group met and was charged last week. A goal implementation date of August 15, 2014, was determined.
 - d. Enrollment numbers are currently up, while concurrent numbers are down.
 - e. S. Runge attended the Vision 2025 meeting last week at the State Capitol. Senator Joyce Elliott chaired the meeting, and Shane Broadway presented.
 - f. S. Runge visited the KIPP Academy in Helena last week. UCA is the number one choice campus for graduates of the KIPP Academy. Discussion followed.

- g. A Stem Pipeline meeting was held last week at the Arkansas Department of Education. Commissioner Kimbrough and Shane Broadway attended. UCA is committed to work with one of the two-year institutions on transfer articulations and lead the effort.
- h. The Arkansas STEM Coalition Regional Meeting took place last week in Monticello.
- i. Discussion has begun regarding Winter Break housing, and how to improve how the University can improve services when the campus is closed.
- j. S. Runge, Jeff Pitchford, and Ron Patterson will be meeting on Wednesday with Dr. Ted Kalthoff, of ASU Beebe, to discuss transfer articulation.
- k. S. Runge will attend the Lifelong Learner retreat tonight.

8. Member reports

- a. K. Boniecki stated that the Graduate School Dean search has interviewed three candidates, and has two more candidates to be interviewed. The University College Director Search Committee has narrowed the candidates to six, and interviews will take place this week.
- b. Debbie Barnes stated that the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Dean Search Committee has scheduled five interviews for this week.
- c. L. Young reminded Council members to be sure that draft offer letters are marked "draft" until approval is given. The draft letters should not be signed. S. Runge added that formal offers should not be extended until approval is given.

The meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

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