

Council of Deans

June 3, 2015

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:08 a.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2015. Steve Runge presided, and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Maurice Lee, Diana Pounder, Jane Ann Williams, Stephanie Bellar, Jimmy Ishee, Terry Wright, Steve Addison and Laura Young. Kurt Boniecki and Michael Hargis were not in attendance. Ken Griffin, Associate Dean in the College of Business, attended in the absence of M. Hargis. Ms. Jessie Yeager, Apple Education Higher Ed Account Executive; Dr. Charles Long, Apple Education Higher Ed Development Executive; and Dr. Michael Mills, Assistant Professor in the Department of Teaching and Learning and Apple Distinguished Educator, were in attendance for agenda item number one.

- 1) J. Yeager and C. Long spoke to the CoD regarding the possibility of the inclusion of an Apple Authorized Campus Store in the new Donaghey Hall building. As technology changes the way education is delivered and received, the potential addition of such a store would benefit the university and its students in a variety of ways. For example, the store would:
 - Provide students with the best overall college experience by placing technology access within reach;
 - Provide students, faculty, and staff with considerable Apple product discounts;
 - Allow faculty to stay mobile within their classrooms;
 - Allow the classroom itself to become mobile (beyond four walls); and
 - Allow the university to embrace and stay relevant with the students of today.

M. Mills provided council members with an overview of how he has used technology to transform his classroom and the overall student experience. Discussion followed. J. Yeager will be contacting council members to explore future discussion with faculty regarding this potential opportunity.

- 2) The CoD minutes of May 27, 2015 were approved by a vote of 8-0. K. Griffin abstained due to having not been present at the May 27th meeting.
- 3) J. Glenn led a discussion on proposed Academic Affairs - student financial aid communication protocols. A draft document that included an academic change notification form and drafts of curriculum forms that will support necessary communications were provided to council members. Discussion followed regarding the importance of a formal line of communication/reporting between the Provost's office and the Office of Student Financial Aid in maintaining compliance with financial aid rules.
- 4) Provost's announcements:
 - S. Runge advised council members that the notes outlining recent discussions regarding types of faculty activities that are eligible for reassigned time have been updated. Copies of the notes were provided to council members.
 - Meetings between council members and the provost regarding replacement position requests are ongoing and expected to be completed next week.

- D. Pounder, S. Addison, J. Glenn and S. Runge met last week to discuss Computer Science licensure for K-12 teachers and how UCA can be a leader in producing Computer Science teachers.
- S. Runge, L. Young, J.A. Williams and Ashley Pettingill will meet with ADE representatives today to discuss J1 Visa sponsorships for Chinese teachers in the Arkansas public school system under the Teach Chinese in Arkansas program. ADE has provided notification that it will discontinue its sponsorship of Chinese teachers after the 2015-2016 academic year.
- S. Runge, J. Ishee, and department chairs in CHBS will meet with President Courtway tomorrow to discuss the potential of an Interdisciplinary Clinic in CHBS.
- S. Runge will attend a STEM meeting in Little Rock on Friday, and S. Addison will attend an INBRE Steering Committee meeting in Little Rock on Friday.
- Council members are reminded to submit names of college representatives for the Strategic Planning Task Force to Nancy Reese and Tammy Rogers by June 15th.
- Council of Deans will not meet on Wednesday, June 10th or Wednesday, July 1st.

5) Member announcements:

- K. Griffin stated that enrollment in the College of Business is up 9 percent. The Public Company Accounting Oversight Board is providing a \$10,000 scholarship award for an accounting major, and Stallion Transportation is providing a \$7,000 annually renewing scholarship for Logistics and Supply Chain Management.
- T. Wright stated that the summer season for Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre is starting up.
- L. Young reminded council members that faculty and staff should complete requisitions before they travel if they will be seeking reimbursement for local mileage. Also, salary letters will be going out in the coming week. (Salary payment amounts out of private funds will not be included in the salary letters)

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.