

Council of Deans
August 3, 2016

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 3, 2016. Steve Runge presided, and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Michael Hargis, Kurt Boniecki, Joan Simon, Jimmy Ishee, Terry Wright, Steve Addison and Laura Young. Maurice Lee and Vicki Groves-Scott were absent. Peter Mehl attended in the absence of M. Lee and Donna Wake attended in the absence of V. Groves-Scott.

Guests: Chris Davis from Information Systems and Technology, and Amber Hall and Rebecca Stage from Institutional Research.

1) C. Davis led a discussion regarding the Active Directory implementation scheduled to roll out in late October. The advantages for using Active Directory include: cost savings (approximately \$70,000), better university infrastructure, greater IT security, and more services (such as remote access). Plans will begin with campus-wide training, transferring and securing data to another source and then swapping out the hard drives on all machines. Lab computers and specialized machines will be handled independently of the roll out. Several members expressed concerns regarding the strategy of reimaging all machines. Many computers have specialty software that would be difficult to reload. Another concern is the challenge of individuals being responsible for the transfer of files. Further discussion ensued.

2) Amber Hall led a discussion regarding the Graduate Outcomes Survey. Copies of the survey were distributed to council members. The survey will be emailed to recent graduates beginning with an initial 3-month survey, then 6 months, and then one year. If students respond to the last survey, IR will wait two years before surveying them again, otherwise they will receive a survey annually. Discussion followed.

3) The CoD minutes of July 20, 2016 were approved.

4) S. Runge led a discussion on programmatic marketing. Council members were asked to think about the academic programs they would like considered for marketing features/campaigns.

5) S. Runge announced the membership of the Faculty Load Taskforce.

6) S. Runge distributed the list of approved positions to be searched, for fall 2017 or sooner, in some cases. The Director of Development position is shared with Advancement and will focus on raising funds for the College of Business and the College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics. Council members were asked to send their employment ads within the next two weeks to Lori Hudspeth so she can coordinate a single publication in various recruiting outlets.

7) Provost's Announcements:

- Representatives of the Arkansas Research Center presented last week to the state Joint Performance Review Committee.
- The ADHE Coordinating Board met last week.
- A Transfer Days planning meeting was held yesterday.

- August Registration & Orientation (ARO) is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, August 4th & 5th.
- Summer Commencement is scheduled for Friday, August 5th, at 7:00pm. There will be a video message presented instead of an Alumni speaker.

8.) Member Reports:

- D. Wake reported the College of Education wrapped up its final P-12 summer camp yesterday. More than 430 people attended the camps.
- K. Boniecki informed council members that he received 12 applications for the Director of Assessment position. The search committee, chaired by Jacob Held, was convened earlier this week and given the charge to begin the screening and interview process.
- J. Simon stated that she will be contacting some of the deans for graduate faculty replacements on the Graduate Council.
- L. Young shared an invitation from Student Services for the departments to consider participating in Family Day on September 10, 2016. She also reminded everyone to turn in PAF's for fall.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.