

University of Central Arkansas
Council of Deans
Wednesday, May 4, 2022
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Wingo 315

MINUTES

The Council of Deans met in regular session on May 4, 2022 in Wingo 315. Provost Poulter presided and the following members were present: Stephen Addison, Angela Barlow, Kurt Boniecki, Jonathan Glenn, Victoria Groves-Scott, Michael Hargis, Nancy Reese, Patricia Smith, and Tom Williams. Guest: Phillip Bailey

1. Welcome: Provost Poulter welcomed and thanked members and guests for their attendance.
2. Global Scholar Learning Program - Phillip Bailey, Associate Vice President for Global Learning and Engagement: Phillip Bailey presented a proposal for the UCA Global Scholar Learning Program (GSLP) for consideration and acceptance by the Council of Deans. The program is designed to encourage UCA Students to add a global designation to their academic program of study. UCA's GSLP will increase students' global awareness, global perspectives, and global engagement through academic coursework and high-impact, credit-bearing, education abroad experiences, NSE Study Away, or local, national or international internship and service learning activities. Co-curricular activities with a global focus will enrich student learning on campus. Because the core of each global learning track will be credit-based, students will be able to graduate with one of two GL designations on their academic transcript. The program will not be required but will be available to all students. A motion by Nancy Reese and second by Michael Hargis was made to move forward on seeking approval of this proposal. The motion carried.
3. Action Items
 - a. COD April 20, 2022 Minutes: A motion by Stephen Addison and second by Patricia Smith was made to approve the minutes from April 20, 2022 as presented. The motion carried.
 - b. Graduate Council Items: A motion by Angela Barlow and second by Stephen Addison was made to approve all of the action items as reflected in the minutes of the Graduate Council from April 21, 2022. The motion carried. Angela Barlow requested graduate student teaching be discussed at the next meeting.
4. Business
 - a. Provost Updates

- i. The President's office has determined that UCA's administrative policies should reside in one place. They will be working on this project throughout the summer.
 - ii. Identification of need: UCA is considering the development of a Professional Conduct Expectations policy document.
 - iii. Land Recognition Statement: Dr. Angela Webster presented to the President's Cabinet the results of an ad hoc working group focused on the creation of a Land Acknowledgement or Land Recognition statement that may be used by members of the UCA community. Provost Poulter suggested inviting Dr. Webster and Dr. Williamson to a future meeting to discuss this information.
 - iv. New student employment process. New student employment processes will begin that will affect the advertising and hiring processes for student workers. Colleges are encouraged to consider federal work study students for employment. More information will be forthcoming.
 - v. October Board Meeting-A new student fee will be on the October Board of Trustees meeting agenda.
- b. Discussion/Information Items
 - i. Boniecki: Kurt Boniecki stated he will be developing standard terminology in relation to degree requirements (ex. Major, minor, related, etc.) for the Undergraduate Bulletin this summer. This terminology will ensure language consistency and a glossary will be included.
 - ii. Out of State Employees and Insurance/Separation from Employment: Britni Elder will attend the next meeting to share this information.
- c. Division Updates: Members provided an update on their respective college/division.

5. Important Dates

- a. May 6th, 7:00 p.m. - Graduate Commencement
 - b. May 7th - Undergraduate Commencement
 - i. 9:00 a.m. CHBS
 - ii. 12:00 p.m. COB/CNSM
 - iii. 3:00 p.m. CAHSS/COE
 - c. May 13th - Vector courses completion deadline
 - d. May 18th, 9:00 a.m. - COD
 - e. May 26th - Board of Trustees meeting
 - f. August 12th, 6:00 p.m. - Commencement: PT/OT/Communication Sciences
 - g. August 13th, 9:00 a.m. - Commencement: Remaining colleges and programs
- AY21-22 Initiatives
 - Instructional and Campus Continuity - Completed

- HLC Assurance Argument Update - Completed
- Strategic Plan Refresh - Completed
- Incomplete Grade Policy - Completed
- Retaking courses for grade forgiveness policy - Completed
- Academic Grade Appeal Process - Completed
- Assignment of Instructional Duties - Continuing project
- BA-BS Discussions and Decisions - Continuing project
- Momentum Year (includes Focus Areas) - Continuing project
- G2C Expansion on Campus - Continuing project
- Diversity, Belonging, Inclusion, and Equity - Continuing project
- Policy and Process Improvements - Continuing project

With no further business the meeting adjourned: 10:45 am