

University of Central Arkansas  
Council of Deans  
Wednesday, February 14, 2024  
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Wingo 213

MINUTES

1. Welcome: The Council of Deans met on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 9:00 am in Wingo 214. Provost Poulter presided and the following members were present: Kurt Boniecki, Victoria Groves-Scott, Michael Hargis, Michael Mills, Nancy Reese, Patricia Smith and Tom Williams. Guests: Dr. Angela Webster
2. Guest: Dr. Angela Webster, Chief Diversity Officer Associate VP for Institutional Diversity and Inclusion: Dr. Webster presented “In Their Words: Black Men’s Experience Qualitative Project on Academic Life”.
3. Action Items
  - a. January 31, 2024 Minutes: A motion by Patricia Smith and second by Michael Hargis was made to approve the minutes from January 31, 2024 as presented. The motion carried.
  - b. Undergraduate Council: A motion by Kurt Boniecki and second by Patricia Smith was made to approve the Undergraduate Council items from February 1, 2024 as presented. The motion carried.
4. Business
  - a. Provost Updates
    - i. The EAB Strategic Advisory meeting will be held on February 21st. Members are encouraged to attend.
    - ii. Members received an update regarding the provost search.
    - iii. Eclipse Day on April 8th will be an asynchronous instruction day and offices will be open for business. Campus will be receiving an email from the President with further information.
    - iv. Members received an ORSP and Grant Accounting update.
  - b. Other
    - i. Faculty Handbook Update: Effectiveness in Teaching Language: Members reviewed the effectiveness in teaching language recommended by the Faculty Handbook committee. The language will be added to the handbook for approval by the Board of Trustees in May.
5. Discussion
  - a. Division Updates: Members shared information regarding their respective college.

## 6. Important Dates

- [Academic Timetable 2023-2024](#)
- February 16th - Board of Trustees Meeting
- February 21st, 11:00 am - Student Success and Veterans Center Grand Opening
- February 28th - COD Meeting
- April 22nd - Provost Poulter Retirement Reception
- May 3rd, 5:00 pm - Graduate School Commencement
- May 4th - Undergraduate Commencement
  - CAHSS - 9:00 am
  - COB/COE - 11:30 am
  - CHBS - 2:00 pm (Exercise Science, Health Sciences, Nutrition & Family Services, Psychology & Counseling)
  - CHBS/CNSM - 4:30 pm (Nursing, Communication Sciences & Disorders)
- Academic Affairs Initiatives
  - Diversity, Belonging, Inclusion, and Equity - Continuing project
  - Policy and Process Improvements - Continuing project
  - First-year Seminar Program - Continuing project
  - Summer School Guidelines – Continuing

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.