

University of Central Arkansas  
Council of Deans  
Wednesday, July 10, 2024  
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Wingo 213

MINUTES

1. Welcome: The Council of Deans met on Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 9:00 am in Wingo 214. Provost Hargis presided and the following members were present: Stephen Addison, Kurt Boniecki, Laci Lyons (for Mike Casey), Victoria Groves-Scott, Chad Lairamore (for Nancy Reese), Patricia Smith, Paige Rose (for Tom Williams)
2. Action Items
  - a. May 22, 2024 Minutes: A motion by Stephen Addison and second by Patricia Smith was made to approve the minutes from May 22, 2024 as presented. The motion carried with abstentions.
3. Business
  - a. Provost Updates
    - i. Academic Affairs will be conducting several searches in 2024-25, including College of Business Dean, Graduate Dean, and Associate Vice President of Outreach & Community Engagement.
    - ii. A major area of focus will be strategic planning.
    - iii. Enrollment Update: Members received an enrollment update. The provost thanked deans, chairs, and faculty for their efforts to add seats and sections to meet enrollment needs.
    - iv. Academic affairs initiatives will focus on the university experience for students, faculty, and staff. Members will begin discussions to set these initiatives.
  - b. Other: No other business
4. Discussion
  - a. Division Updates: Members provided updates on their respective colleges.
5. Important Dates
  - [Academic Timetable 2024-2025](#) (DRAFT)
  - July 22nd: Chairs Retreat
  - July 24th: COD - 9:00 am
  - August 7th: COD - 9:00 am
  - August 8th: Board of Trustees - 10:00 am
  - August 10th: Graduate Commencement - 9:00 am & 12:00 pm
  - August 18-21: Welcome Week
  - August 18th: Freshman Convocation - 7:30 pm @ Farris Center

- August 21st: Faculty/Staff Convocation - 9:00 am @ Reynolds Performance Hall
- Academic Affairs Initiatives