University of Central Arkansas Council of Deans Wednesday, August 7, 2024 10:00 am - 11:00 am Wingo 213

MINUTES

1. Welcome: The Council of Deans met on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 10:00 am in Wingo 214. Provost Hargis presided, and the following members were present: Stephen Addison, Kurt Boniecki, Mike Casey, Debbie Dailey (for Victoria Groves-Scott), Michael Mills, Nancy Reese, Leah Horton (for Patricia Smith), and Tom Williams

2. Action Items

a. July 24, 2024 Minutes: A motion by Stephen Addison and second by Mike Casey was made to approve the minutes from July 24, 2024 as presented. The motion carried.

3. Business

- a. Provost Updates
 - i. Human Resources has revised the language and process for Direct Hire (formerly Emergency Hire) authorization. The Direct Hire must be approved by the Dean and Provost before a PAF may be processed. Additional reminders related to application solicitation and interviewing process were also discussed.
 - ii. Provost Hargis shared information regarding the appropriate decision-making process related to faculty/staff requests for disability accommodations.

b. Other

i. Members discussed budget allocations for student work positions.

4. Discussion

a. Division Updates: Members provided updates on their respective colleges.

5. Important Dates

- o Academic Timetable 2024-2025
- o August 8th: Board of Trustees 10:00 am
- August 10th: Graduate Commencement 9:00 am & 12:00 pm
- August 18-21: Welcome Week
 - Opening Session
 - Opening Session-New Faculty
- o August 21st: Faculty/Staff Convocation 9:00 am
- o August 27th: New Faculty/Staff Reception 5:30 pm President's House
- o September 4th: COD Meeting 9:00 am
- o September 5th: Schichtl Hall Grand Opening X period

- o September 11th: Academic Affairs Leadership Meeting 9:00 am
- Academic Affairs Initiatives
 - o University Strategic Plan

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:30 am