

University of Central Arkansas  
Council of Deans/Dean for a Day  
Wednesday, March 11, 2026  
9:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.  
Wingo 315

MINUTES

1. Welcome: The Council of Deans met on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 9:15 a.m. in Wingo 315. Provost Michael Hargis presided, and the following members were present: Dr. Stephen Addison, Dr. Tim Bisping, Dr. Kurt Boniecki, Dr. Debbie Dailey, Dr. Patricia Smith, Dr. Nancy Reese, and Dr. Tom Williams. Guests:
  - a. Dean for a Day Student Deans
    - i. David Wilson, College of Business
    - ii. Callie Kennedy, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences
    - iii. Broda Trotter, College of Science and Engineering
    - iv. Chris Cerna, Schedler Honors College
2. Action Items
  - a. February 25, 2026 COD Minutes: A motion by Dr. Stephen Addison and second by Dr. Patricia Smith was made to approve the minutes from February 25, 2025 as presented. The motion was approved with two revisions.
  - b. February 19, 2026 Graduate Council Items: A motion by Dr. Debbie Dailey and second by Dr. Stephen Addison was made to approve the Graduate Council as presented. The motion carried.
3. Provost Updates:
  - a. UCA Board Member Dr. Terry Fiddler will attend the April 29, 2026 Academic Affairs Leadership meeting.
4. Discussion
  - a. Viability Reports/Next Steps: Dr. Kurt Boniecki and members discussed the viability report and the next steps in the process.
5. Unit Updates: Members shared items from their prospective college and shared information regarding their college with the student deans.
6. Important Dates and Information Items
  - [2025-2026 Academic Timetable](#)
  - [Academic Year 2025–2026 Schedule for Student Course Experience Surveys](#)
  - COD Meetings
    - March 25, 2026
    - April 8, 2026
    - April 22, 2026
    - May 6, 2026
  - March 12, 2026: UCA Day of Giving

- March 13, 2026: UCA Day of Giving Announcement
- March 17, 2026: Campus Talk, 1:30 pm, COB Auditorium
- April 1, 2026: Annual Evaluations Due
- April 14, 2026: Faculty/Staff Recognition Celebration: 1:40 pm-2:30 pm, Student Center Ballroom
- April 16, 2026: Forever A Bear: Amphitheater
- April 23, 2026: [UCA Research Symposium](#)
- April 30-May 1, 2026: [Commencement](#)
  - April 30-5:00 pm-Graduate Ceremony
  - Undergraduate Ceremonies
    - May 1-9:00 am-CAHSS
    - May 1-12:00 pm-COB and COE
    - May 1-3:00 pm-CHBS
    - May 1-6:00 pm-CHBS and COSE
- May 18-20, 2026: Dean's Retreat
- May 27, 2026: Board of Trustees Meeting

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.