

Council of Deans
August 30, 2017

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 30, 2017. Provost Michael Hargis presided and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Ken Griffin, Peter Mehl, Vicki Groves-Scott, Kurt Boniecki, Angela Barlow, Jacquie Rainey (in the absence of Jimmy Ishee), Terry Wright, and Stephen Addison.

1. The CoD minutes from the August 16, 2017 meeting were considered and approved.
2. J. Glenn discussed a proposal to create a process for academic department name changes. The proposal, which was provided to the Council, outlines the path for submitting such requests and will allow for consistency in documentation and justification. Discussion followed. The Council approved the new process with a few changes and the updated procedure will be posted to the Panda site.
3. M. Hargis revisited the Academic Assessment Plan Timeline that was previously

plans. Discussion followed. The Council expressed the desire for the deadline to be moved to the end of the academic year instead of the end of the current semester to allow time for the departments to effectively complete their assessment plans. K. Boniecki stated that Dr. Combs will be presenting at an upcoming Academic Council meeting and will be prepared to provide the deans and department chairs with a list of each department and their status in the assessment plan process, along with an updated timeline that reflects the new May 2018 deadline.

4. Member Reports:

S. Addison reported that the College of Natural Science and Mathematics has received preliminary feedback from Arkansas INBRE stating that UCA researchers have

opportunities for internships, stating that they were interested in connecting with UCA students. He asked that the deans provide recommendations.

V. Groves-Scott stated that this year is the 110th anniversary of the Normal School. The College of Education is planning an event which they will later announce.

K. Griffin reminded the Council that September 20th will be the Day on the Lawn for the College of Business. The event will take place from 11:00-1:00 in front of the college.

J. Glenn stated that he is still waiting on several department responses to the program reviews. He asked that these be submitted soon as ADHE requires paperwork within six weeks of the receipt of the report.

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The next Council of Deans meeting will be Wednesday, September 6, at 9:00 a.m. The August 18th Academic Council meeting was well attended. The purpose of those meetings is to build communication channels with the departments and allow for feedback from the departments.

M. Hargis spoke with Julia Winden-Fey after the Academic Council meeting and provided her with a list of feedback from the Council of Deans regarding the recently-published Student Success and Retention Plan.

This is the year for data collection for the National Survey for Student Engagement. The surveys will go out to students in the spring. The deans will need to help build awareness in participation. Brandon Combs will be the lead on this survey. M. Hargis plans to speak with the Student Government Association about the survey in an upcoming meeting.

Thursday, September 14. Pastor Maltbia will be the keynote speaker at the event. The Confucius Institute ECNU-UCA reception dinner will be September 27th at 6:00 in the McCastlain Ballroom. This year is the 100th anniversary of the Confucius Institute campus.

The Donaghey Hall ribbon cutting event is today at 12:00. Governor Hutchinson will be in attendance.

Reassignment time requests for spring are due to the Provost by September 15th. The updated departmental promotion and tenure guidelines should be completed by the previously-stated due date of September 1st. The guidelines should be time stamped and approved by both the department chair and dean. They should then

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.