

University of Central Arkansas
Council of Deans
Wednesday, September 8, 2021
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Wingo 315-Zoom Optional

MINUTES

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on September 8, 2021. Provost Poulter presided and the following members were present: Stephen Addison, Angela Barlow, Kurt Boniecki, Jonathan Glenn, Victoria Groves-Scott, Michael Hargis, Nancy Reese, Patricia Smith, Tom Williams. Guest: Dr. Robin Williamson, Vice President of Student Affairs

1. Welcome: Provost Poulter welcomed and thanked members for their attendance.
2. Dr. Robin Williamson, Vice President of Student Affairs: Dr. Williamson shared that Student Services will now be called Student Affairs in order to incorporate relational, transactional, and proactive components to student life and activities. Dr. Williamson stated she and her division are looking forward to partnering with colleges and departments to provide positive, productive, and successful student experiences.
3. Action Items
 - a. COD August 25, 2021 Minutes: Minutes were reviewed via email. A motion by Patricia Smith and second by Stephen Addison was made to approve, as amended, the minutes of August 25, 2021. With no discussion, the motion carried.
 - b. Undergraduate Council Action Item: A motion by Kurt Boniecki and second by Stephen Addison was made to approve action items as submitted by the Undergraduate Council. The floor was open for discussion. With no discussion, the motion carried.
4. Discussion Items
 - a. Business
 - i. Provost Updates
 1. Pandemic Planning
 - a. Provost Poulter shared information from the Pandemic Planning Committee including testing and positivity rates and vaccine updates.
 - b. A flu vaccine clinic will be held on October 5th and October 19th. The clinic is free to faculty and staff with UCA insurance.

5. Important Dates

- a. September 22 - COD Meeting 9:00 a.m.
- b. October 1 - Annual Reports due to Provost
- c. October 4 - Sabbatical Leave Application for Summer/Fall 2022 due to Dr. Boniecki
- d. October 15 - Distinguished Faculty Emeritus Nominations due to Provost
- e. October 31, 2021 - Honorary Degree Nominations due to Provost

AY20-21 Initiatives

Instructional and Campus Continuity - Completed

HLC Assurance Argument Update - Completed

Strategic Plan Refresh - Completed

Incomplete Grade Policy - Completed

Retaking courses for grade forgiveness policy - Completed

Academic Grade Appeal Process - Awaiting Undergraduate Council final approval

Assignment of Instructional Duties - Continuing project

BA-BS Discussions and Decisions - Continuing project

Momentum Year (includes Meta-Majors) - Continuing project

G2C Expansion on Campus - Continuing project