

**Academic Council Meeting**  
**February 17, 2010**  
**2:00 p.m.**  
**Library Conference Room A**

Present: Mr. David Ray; Dr. Debbie Bryant, Dr. Ranelle Eubanks; Mr. Mark Spencer; Dr. Louis James; Dr. Peggy Doss; Dr. Phil Tappe; Ms. Sandra Campbell; Dr. Carol Strong; Dr. Kelly Bryant; Mr. Brian Hairston; Dr. Morris Bramlett; Ms Leia O'Fallon; Mr. Bob Ware; Reporter: Rita Hyatt.

The February 3, 2010 minutes were approved as written.

The Council discussed retention ideas.

Mr. Ray asked the Council to discuss the possibility of going to 4-day class schedule in both summer sessions for 2010. There was a discussion about the length of class time. The Council approved the 4-day class schedule. Mr. Ray will carry the request to change summer schedule to 4-days to the next Executive Council meeting.

Dr. Eubanks stated that some public schools may have to extend days to their school's calendar. This could affect incoming freshman in the Summer I 2010 term.

Mr. Ray reminded the Council that the Annual Faculty Evaluations for Category 3 are due on February 28 in the Provost's Office.

Mr. Ray reminded the Council that requests for early retirement of faculty are due in the Provost's Office by March 1.

Mr. Ray encouraged the Council to attend the International Student Display.

Mr. Ray reminded the Council that the deadline for applying for private scholarships is March 1.

Mr. Ray stated that no activities including meetings, social events, and fund raising-activities will be permitted to be scheduled in the 24 hours prior to the start of the official final exam period.

Mr. Spencer provided the Council with an update on the C&S proposals.

Mr. Ray announced that there would be a special called meeting on February 24 to discuss 2011 budget.

Mr. Ray reviewed upcoming dates and set the next Academic Council meeting for March 17.

The Council adjourned at 4:05 p.m.