

University Council Minutes

June 2, 2011

Present: Jack Lassiter, David Ray, Jay Jones, Clay Brown, Jay Hughes, Linda Rushing, Bob Ware, Susan Brewer, Debbie Bryant, Ranelle Eubanks, Scott Kuttenkuler, Mary Whiting

Ms. Brewer discussed FAFSA forms and the progress that Becky Hammett and Nick Ryburn have made.

Mr. Jones announced the following personnel changes:

- Cindy Adair – Administrative System Developer/Analyst in IT
- Alex Becker – Program/Project Administrator in Finance
- Candis Fendley – Accountant I in Finance

Ms. Brewer provided a handout and discussed information regarding gainful employment, noting that disclosures will need to be added to the website by July 1, 2011. There was discussion that this is campus-wide, not just an issue with financial aid. Dr. Lassiter stated that he will appoint a chair to oversee this project.

Mr. Ray announced two positions that have been filled in Social Work:

- Donna Taylor – Instructor of Social Work
- Joel Carr – Director of Social Work Program

Mr. Ray stated that the 2011-12 catalog is now on the website. He noted that hard copies and flash drives have also been ordered.

Mr. Ray provided an update on the search for a Dean of Forest Resources. He noted that three candidates will be interviewed. Dr. Kelly Bryant is the Chair of that Search Committee.

Mr. Kuttenkuler discussed summer occupancy in the residence halls and the renovations taking place this summer in Bankston Hall and Horsfall Hall.

Dr. Lassiter stated that the following items were approved at the May 20th Board of Trustees meeting:

- Tuition and Fees and the 2011-2012 Budget
- Approval to offer an online Master of Physical Education and Coaching degree, effective January 1, 2012.
- Approval to offer a Bachelor of Science in Teaching and Learning, effective August 15, 2011.

Ms. Whiting stated that preregistration will be held June 13, 14, and 15. She also discussed projects that the marketing committee is working on and noted that Tina Freeman will maintain university related facebook accounts.

Dr. Lassiter reminded the council of the summer office hours, beginning June 6. He noted that Agriculture and Forest Resources will operate under normal hours.

Dr. Lassiter presented a request from Chris Ratcliff regarding seating costs for athletic activities. The Executive Council approved this request.

Mr. Jones discussed the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, stating that effective July 1, 2011, NEW employees of the University of Arkansas at Monticello will not be permitted to participate. He noted that current employees in this system will not be affected.