

Associate Deans Council Meeting
July 13, 2011
Minutes

Present: Peter L. Ryan (chair), Kylie Amato (for Ray Berryhill), Mark Binkley, Dave Breaux, Tim Chamblee, Robert Cooper, Diane Daniels, Rhett Hobart, Julia Hodges, Mitzy Johnson, Rick Kaminski, David Lewis, Scott Maynard, Lynda Moore (for Ray Berryhill), Sharon Nobles (for Butch Stokes), Mike Rackley, Kevin Rogers, James Scheiner, Walter Taylor, Robert West.

Peter Ryan called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in 611 Allen Hall.

1. Consideration of the minutes.

The minutes of the June 22, 2011 Associate Deans Council meeting were approved with no changes.

2. Announcements.

- a. New Faculty Orientation will be held on Monday, August 15, 2011 in the John Grisham Room, Mitchell Memorial Library with an evening reception at the President's home.
 - Other events and activities planned for new faculty will be a September luncheon, an October regional bus tour, and a November (informal) dinner at the MAFES conference center. These dates, times, and other activities during the spring semester will be announced at a later date.
- b. Robert West extended an invitation to participate in the Undergraduate Research Symposium to be held in Griffis Hall on July 28, 1 – 4:00 p.m. and hosted by the Shackouls Honor College. There will be poster presentations representing research on campus.
- c. The Vice President of Student Affairs has anticipated that the university enrollment may reach over 20,500 students for the fall semester.
- d. Peter Ryan and other members reported that the freshmen preregistration during orientation has been beneficial to the sessions. There will need to be continued improvement due to a few complaints, some the need for more course sections.
- e. Peter Ryan reported that proceedings were moving forward with plans for a classroom building due to the rapid growth pressure on infrastructure and the lack of classrooms. The initial project for a garage building is now being considered as a dual purpose structure to include classrooms or other offices (with no decision yet regarding offices to be moved to the new building). The outside of the building will resemble the Old Main dormitory and may be located behind the YMCA building.
- f. The Arbour Acres project should expedite the possession of new residence halls by next year (a 365 day contract) and increase the number by almost 800 beds.
- g. Robert West reported on the proposal for instructional professors. There has been discussion at Faculty Senate for some modifications to the document with hopes of a decision by the end of the fall semester.

3. AOP/OP.

13.05 Faculty Grievance

After committee discussion, the document was recommended to be forwarded to Deans Council for further consideration.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.