

Academic Update

October 11, 2016

Council of Academic Deans (COAD) meeting on October 11

1. Ron Patterson, Associate Vice President of Enrollment Management, met with the COAD to discuss his area and efforts underway to support enrollment growth and academic student support.
2. The COAD continued discussion of lock-down procedures for the campus. A handout prepared by the UNA Police Department was distributed.
3. The COAD finalized the academic calendar for the summer, 2017.
4. The COAD discussed the faculty research budget for 2016-17 and how to apportion faculty development funds to the Colleges.
5. The COAD discussed ways to make sure that credential vetting was occurring for faculty and staff teaching LC/FYE courses. Further discussion with Matthew Little will occur.
6. Dr. Borah distributed the final report of the purge committee. Additional issues were raised and Dr Borah will share those with the committee.
7. Dr. Borah provided copies of the final version of a document intended to assist faculty with the creation of tenure and promotion portfolios. The document will be shared with faculty who plan to apply for promotion, shared electronically with the dean's offices, and also be posted on the VPAA website.
8. Dr. Davis shared concerns about the availability of funds for library book allocations to departments. He is exploring different ways to meet faculty needs for purchase of library books.

Reminder

There will be an open forum for faculty to review the current draft document on tenure and promotion. The meeting will be held on October 19 at 3:30 in Commons 330.

November 4 is UNA Night at Florence First Friday. Departments and centers are encouraged to host a table.

Thanks

Several departments sponsored special events and activities in conjunction with homecoming. These efforts help departments stay connected with alumni and supporters.