Academic Council Meeting
Library Conference Room A
March 13, 2013
2:00 p.m.

Present: Dr. Jimmie Yeiser, Dr. Ranelle Eubanks, Mr. Mark Spencer, Dr. Peggy Doss, Ms. Sandra Campbell, Dr. Laura Evans, Dr. Kelly Bryant, Mr. Brian Hairston, Dr. Morris Bramlett, Ms. Linda Rushing, Mr. Bob Ware, Ms. Carol Dolberry, Reporter: Rita Hyatt.

The February 27, 2013 minutes were approved as written.

The Council discussed retention ideas.
• The School of Math & Natural recently hosted a Math contest and faculty was recruiting students to attend UAM.
• The students from School of Nursing helped with UAM Wellness Fair.
• The School of Agriculture faculty are encouraging student to work harder in Chemical class.

Dr. Yeiser will extend an invitation to Dr. Calvin Johnson and his faculty to visit UAM campus on April 23 or 17. We will continue our discussion about the possibility of academic program partnerships that could be beneficial to both campuses. Please continue to work with your partners at UAPB.

Dr. Yeiser reminded the Council that Spring Break starts Monday, March 18. Dr. Yeiser asked that each unit have someone available during Spring Break to meet with students who may visit campus.

Dr. Yeiser discussed service learning with the Council. We may want to discuss service learning with UAPB. We will continue our discussion on March 28.

Ms. Carol Dolberry reminded the Council that there was a procedure for reserving classrooms. The Council was provided with copy of UAM Request for Academic Facility.

Dr. Yeiser stated that Textbook Adoption forms are to be submitted to Mr. Billy Hogue by March 15.

Dr. Yeiser reminded the Council of pre-registration April 1 through April 12.

Dr. Yeiser provided the Council with a copy of the UAM Self-Evaluation for Administrative Positions (SWOT analysis) forms. The deadline for submitting completed self-evaluations is June 1.

Dr. Yeiser stated that faculty will be allowed to teach up to 12 hours in the summer term but, must have “excellent” or “good” on his/her annual faculty evaluation to be considered for summer employment. He asked the Deans to take a hard look at classes offered in summer and
fall. Can some classes be combined or increase enrollment? Dr. Yeiser stated that UAM cannot offer a course with student enrollment of 2 or 3.

Dr. Yeiser discussed reminders:

- 2013-2015 Catalog revisions due March 15
- Arkansas Association for the Assessment of Collegiate Learning (AAACL) - 2013 Spring Conference on March 27, 2013 at UALR
- CoursEval Date April 1-12
- 2013 Teaching with Technology Symposium at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences campus on July 18 & 19, 2013

The next Academic Council meeting will be March 28, 2013 in Library Conference Room A.

The Council adjourned at 3:20p.m.