Council of Academic Deans Meeting  
May 24, 2016

Summary and Action Items

• **Crowdfunding Account:** Mr. Dan Perry proposed to the Council that the new crowdfunding accounts be established at the chair/department or director/school level. The Council approved.

• **Discussion regarding DRAFT 2017-2023 University Mission Statement:** A brief discussion was held regarding the draft 2017-2023 University Mission, Values, and Goal Statements preliminarily approved by President’s Cabinet. Dr. Lisa Garza shared the draft language and a short history of how the statements were drafted by the appointed Mission Statement Task Force. Dr. Bourgeois informed the Council about additional language modifications proposed by the Cabinet. He reminded the Council that there would be another opportunity by the university community to review and comment on the draft statements in mid-August. He encouraged the deans and other direct reports to discuss the proposed modifications with their faculty and staff and to the extent possible submit a unified voice on any proposed language modifications. Final approval of the 2017-2023 University Plan by President’s Cabinet and the Board of Regents will occur in November 2016.

• **Presidential Distinction Awards:** Drs. Cynthia Opheim and Ron Brown discussed clarification to PPS 6.11, Presidential Excellence Awards. A pen and ink change will be made to the policy which states that the eligibility requirements that apply to the Presidential Excellence Awards apply to the Presidential Distinction and College Achievement Awards as well. Presidential Distinction Awards and College Achievement Awards are part of the Presidential Excellence Award nominating path and process. Thus the five-year eligibility rule should apply to the lower level awards as well.

• **Undergraduate Admissions Report:** Dr. Michael Heintze provided the Council with the undergraduate admissions report.

• **Graduate Admissions Report:** Dr. Eric Paulson provided the Council with the graduate admissions report.