

Minutes of Presidents Council Meeting
April 4, 2023

The Presidents Council met at 11:00 a.m. on April 4, 2023, via conference call. Executive Council members present by phone call were Charles Welch (co-chair), Dr. Charles Robinson, Dr. Peggy Doss, Dr. Houston Davis, Dr. Summer DeProw, Dr. Dennis Rittle, and Dr. Johnny Moore. Dr. Christine Holt was unable to participate.

Dr. Charles Welch began by announcing that he had been reappointed to the Executive Council for another term. He also noted that Dr. Dennis Rittle, Dr. Summer DeProw, and Dr. Charles Robinson were appointed to the Council.

Houston Davis moved to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2023, meeting. Peggy Doss seconded and the council unanimously concurred.

Review of AHECB Agenda

Presidents Council members reviewed the agenda items for the April 28, 2023, Coordinating Board meeting. The finance agenda included the Distribution of Mineral Lease Funds.

The academic agenda included: Master of Arts and Graduate Certificate in Organizational Development and Learning by Arkansas Tech University; Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant by Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas; Certificates of Proficiency and Technical Certificate in Forestry Technology by South Arkansas Community College; Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies by University of Arkansas Fayetteville; Bachelor of Arts in Italian by UAF; Technical Certificate in Electrical Lineworker Technology by the University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College; Institutional Certification Advisory Committee Report; and the Letters of Notification and Intent.

The Annual Report on Student Retention and Graduation, Annual Report on Retention and Graduation of Intercollegiate Athletes, Annual Report on First-Year Student Remediation for Fall 2022, and the Annual Report on Productivity of Recently Approved Programs, were also on the agenda.

Dr. Dennis Rittle questioned why the Viability Report, which was presented during the January quarterly meeting, was listed again on the April agenda. Mr. Mason Campbell explained that the Coordinating Board requested an additional report that would be presented during the April meeting.

Dr. Peggy Doss moved to approve the review of the agenda for the April 28, AHECB meeting. Dr. Charles Robinson seconded and the council unanimously concurred.

Announcements

Mason Campbell announced that the next Coordinating Board meeting would be a special meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at Henderson State University. The full board would meet on Friday, April 28, 2023, also at HSU.

The Council members agreed to cancel the May 2 and June 6 meetings. The next Presidents Council meeting will be July 11, 2023.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.