

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting**  
**April 26, 2011**  
**Summary and Action Items**

**1. Council on Funded Research – Dr. Britt Bousman**

Dr. Bousman stated that the Council on Funded Research is a successor to the Research Task Force. He distributed and discussed the topics that have been discussed by the Council in the past year. Membership of the Council includes people from academics and administration.

Debra Feakes mentioned that several of the items on the Council on Funded Research's list are also being discussed by the Faculty Senate. Dr. Bousman will be invited to a Senate meeting to discuss these issues.

**2. Provost Search – Dr. Denise M. Trauth**

President Trauth met with the Council of Academic Deans to provide information on the Provost Search. She first thanked Dr. Gene Bourgeois for accepting the Interim Provost position and stated that we will definitely miss Dr. Perry Moore but having Dr. Moore at the System office is good for all system universities including Texas State.

Search Procedures:

1. A national search will be held.
2. Dr. JoAnne Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs will serve as the chair of the search committee.
3. President Trauth will personally contact each dean asking for their nominees for committee members.
4. The first committee meeting will be held in the beginning of May.
5. A search firm will not be used. Looking for a Provost that is on a career track. The new Provost needs to understand the complexity of our university and the resources available.
6. The committee will recommend 7-8 for off-campus interviews with a smaller group invited for on-campus interviews.
7. President Trauth invited the deans to be highly engaged in the search process.
8. The new Provost is expected to be named with an effective date of January 1, 2012.

President Trauth asked the Deans to give her traits, skills or background they feel would be important in the new Provost. Deans provided input.

President Trauth prioritized the top job duties of the Provost:

- 1<sup>st</sup> –Chief Academic Officer/Leader of the Faculty
- 2<sup>nd</sup> –“First among equals between the Vice Presidents” when dealing with internal functions.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> –Dealing with external constituencies (Coordinating Board, The Texas State University Systems)

4<sup>th</sup> –Involvement in the San Marcos community. All Vice Presidents must play a role in the San Marcos community. The Provost will engage in community issues where a Provost must be involved.

**Off- Agenda:**

Dr. Bourgeois announced that Dr. Fernando Gomez and Ms. Diane Corley from the System Office will attend the May 10, 2011 CAD meeting to discuss the legal services at Texas State in light of Mr. Bill Fly's retirement effective May 1, 2011.