

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting
June 15, 2010**

Summary and Action Items

- **E-Textbooks:** Dr. Moore updated the Deans on the discussions being held at President's Cabinet regarding implementing E-Textbooks at Texas State. Initially E-Textbooks will be made available to students through the Bookstore. President's Cabinet will continue the discussion of this topic.

- **PACE:** The PACE Council will begin meeting this summer with Dr. Beth Wuest as the Interim Chair of the Council. Dr. Moore will meet with the Council during their first meeting to discuss the Council's charge. The charge will include: 1. define the job description for the Dean of Advising, 2. develop the syllabi for Freshman Seminar, 3. recruit faculty to teach Freshman Seminar, and 4. define the expectations of the departments and faculty, including College Liaisons.

- **Commencement:** Dr. Debbie Thorne discussed the large crowds at the May commencement ceremonies. Dr. Thorne stated that it has been suggested that we hold six ceremonies in May beginning with May 2011. The ceremonies will be held at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A proposed schedule was distributed. Dr. Moore will discuss this proposal with the President.

- **University Distinguished Professors and Distinguished Professor Emeritus:** Dr. Gene Bourgeois gave an update on the changes in the honorary faculty titles and emeritus faculty. The Distinguished Professor/Associate Professor Emeritus title will be replaced with the University Distinguished Professor title. University Distinguished Professors will be designated as emeritus upon retirement. A list outlining the changes was distributed.

- **2010-2011 Presidential Fellow:** Dr. Moore announced that Dr. Ani Yazedjian from the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences will be the Presidential Fellow for the coming year.

Off Agenda

- Dr. Moore reported that he will be in a President's Cabinet retreat all day tomorrow. The budget is on the agenda for discussion.