Council of Academic Deans September 11, 2007

Summary and Action Items

• **Partners for Academic Student Success (PASS)**: Dr. Jaime Chahin reported that he has met with all Deans regarding the retention program (PASS) that is being used by his college. Dr. Joanne Smith attended the CAD meeting to provide information on the freshmen retention rate. The Deans are encouraged to implement PASS in their college. The workshops provided to the students as part of the PASS program are coordinated by the VPSA division.

• PPS 10.02: Accreditation Costs (Final Approval): The final PPS was approved.

• **Residency, Advanced Hours, and BA Requirements (RTA from 6/26/07)**: Dr. Debbie Thorne reminded the Deans to discuss the issues of residency and advanced hours with their College Councils. The input received on these issues will be discussed at a later CAD meeting.

• **Fall Enrollment**: Dr. Michael Heintze distributed the fall 2007 Preliminary Enrollment Report. The total enrollment is 28,132; it is a 2.4% increase from fall 2006. The Hispanic enrollment is up by 1% for a total of 23% of the total enrollment.

Off Agenda:

• **Closing the Education Gaps in Central Texas**: Dr. Rosalinda Barrera reported that student moderators are needed to help facilitate discussions with young people and adults on education achievement through the Closing the Education Gaps in Central Texas program. Names of student volunteers should be sent to Dr. Barrera.

• **Doctoral Teaching Assistants**: Dr. Gene Bourgeois reported that plans are being finalized for appointing Doctoral TAs on 9 month contracts for \$18,000, beginning in September 2008.