

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting
November 3, 2009**

Summary and Action Items

• **Curriculum Proposals:**

- Add an undergraduate certificate in Environmental Interpretation
 - Change the Bachelor of Science major in Dance to a Bachelor of Fine Arts
 - Delete 4 undergraduate International Studies majors
 - Add a Department of Health Information Management
 - Change the name of the Department of Educational Administration and Psychological Services
 - Change the name of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- All of the above curriculum proposals were discussed and approved by the Council.

- **Housing Policy Adjustments 2010-2011:** Dr. Michael Heintze reported that the Texas State's Housing Policy will no longer require all freshmen and sophomores to live on-campus. This is a temporary plan until resident halls are built.

The adjusted policy states:

The adjusted policy will require students under the age of 20 with fewer than 30 credit hours (by September 1 for fall admission or January 1 for spring admission) to live in on-campus university housing. All students who graduated from high school within the 12 months preceding the semester of their admission are also required to live on campus.

The number of available spaces after the policy is enforced will be put into a lottery for students who are not required (but request) to live on-campus.

The need to increase the bus service was discussed. Also discussed was the effects on the Summer Camps with the lost of available dorm rooms for campers.

- **Master's Degree Needs:** Dr. Moore reminded the Deans to continue their work on this project. The due date is January 15, 2010.

Off Agenda

- **Behavioral Assessment Team:** Dr. Debbie Thorne discussed the importance of using the formal services of Student Affairs - UPD, Residence Life, Counseling Center, Dean of Students, Student Justice, Disability Services, Health Center and others - when faced with behavioral problems or serious concerns with students, faculty and staff. She emphasized that faculty must reach out to those who are properly equipped and trained to address such issues.

- **Tuition and Fee Hearing:** Dr. Moore stated that the student turn out for the Student Fee Hearing was very low. An increase in the Advising Fee will fund the PACE center; the University's QEP. The first increase of \$13 will take place fiscal year 2010 and the second step increase of \$17 will be implemented fall 2011.

- **Future Agenda Items:** The Deans' signature requirements of specific documents including change of grade cards, and termination PCR. Also discussed were the problems with the BobCatalog and P-card purchases.