

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting
August 14, 2012**

Summary and Action Items

- **Presentation of the Valero Award for Excellence:** Dr. Gene Bourgeois presented Mr. Randall Reid with a certificate honoring him as the 2012 Valero Award for Excellence recipient.
- **Increase in Fee Structure for Administrative and Research Survey Scanning:** Dr. Gail Ryser presented a proposal to the Council regarding the proposed increase of the fee structure for scanning services. The Council supported and Dr. Bourgeois approved the proposal.
- **Documenting Permission to Travel:** Dr. Bourgeois reminded the Council that it is imperative that all who are conducting official Texas State business on travel must complete a travel request and (foreign) travel approval and release liability form. This includes all faculty, staff and students.
- **Revision to UPPS 07.07.03: Student Employment Procedures:** Dr. Bourgeois distributed the proposed revision to the section regarding posting vacant student positions. This will be circulated through the UPPS cycle.

Off Agenda

- **General Education Council:** Dr. Bourgeois distributed to the Council his official response to the work of the General Education Council in regards to the new Texas State Core Curriculum. He accepts their recommendations regarding the new Core Curriculum but mentioned that the institutional requirements recommended must go through the regular curriculum change process.
- **Undergraduate Admissions Report:** Dr. Michael Heintze provided the Council with a fall 2012 admissions update.
- **OLI Carnegie Mellon University:** Dr. Debbie Thorne provided information on a workshop to be held Friday, September 28th at 9:00 a.m. in LBJSC. The workshop will introduce the Open Learning Initiative (OLI), a program at Carnegie Mellon University offering free and open innovative online courses in a variety of subjects.