Council of Academic Deans Meeting  
April 21, 2020

Summary and Action Items

1. **Online Proctoring for Final Exams** – Dr. Vedaraman Sriraman and Mr. Dana Willett led discussion with the Council regarding issues and concerns we are facing regarding online proctoring such as price/cost, technology issues students are facing, and provider capacity during the online/remote delivery period for spring 2020.

2. **Undergraduate Admissions Report** – Mr. Gary Ray provided the Council with the undergraduate admissions report.

3. **Graduate Admissions Report** – Dr. Andrea Golato provided the Council with the graduate admissions report.

4. **COVID-19 Updates** – Dr. Bourgeois provided the Council with current COVID-19 updates.
   - Discussion was held amongst the Council regarding EP grades and the effect on dean’s list and pre-requisites. All deans agreed with the plan of processing and identifying dean’s list eligibility based upon the original final grade submitted by the faculty member after final exams and before EP grade modifications have been requested, approved, and processed.
   - Dr. Bourgeois announced that details regarding how institutions of higher education can use funds from the federal stimulus package are still being worked out.
   - Dr. Bourgeois gave a brief update on the expansion of the Bobcat Promise program. New incoming freshmen for the fall 2020 semester are eligible for this program, which increases the AGI cap from $35,000 to $50,000 and therefore will increase the number of students eligible for the program.
   - Dr. Bourgeois provided a clarification regarding the Governor’s statement that all schools would remain closed for the rest of the school year. The intent is that educational activities are to be done remotely through May. Universities may offer face-to-face instruction in the summer if shelter-at-home restrictions are lifted.
   - Dr. Bourgeois announced that an Emergency Commencement Workgroup has been formed to explore issues and concerns and alternatives if Texas State cannot hold traditional commencement ceremonies in August.