Executive Council Minutes April 12, 2016

Present: Karla Hughes, Lisa Shemwell, Peggy Doss, Jay Hughes, Jay Jones, Linda Rushing, Bob Ware

1. Budget Update

Details were discussed regarding legislative issues and the budget. The early retirement plan will be discussed at the April meeting, and Jay Jones will explain to faculty that it is one of the items being considered regarding budget decisions. Discussions will continue at the next Executive Council meeting.

2. ERP Status

The System Office has a developed a task force to leverage our collective advantage and cost. A consultant will work with each campus to determine the specific needs. The system will be holding meetings for campus stakeholders - CFOs, CAOs and CIOs, as well as continuing discussions with Chancellors at their system meetings.

3. Peer Institutions

Data regarding peer institutions was provided to the Council. Dr. Hughes asked members to review the information and provide feedback by email before the next meeting. Dr. Doss was asked to get input from the academic program Deans.

4. Tuition and Fees Discussion with Board of Visitors

The Council was presented material that will be discussed with members of the Board of Visitors at the April 14th meeting.

5. Commencement Planning Discussion

An update was given on planning details for commencement. The Executive Council approved to award a posthumous degree.

6. Summer Camps

Information was provided regarding 27 camps to be held on campus.

7. Welcome Week Planning

An overview of the ideas from the Welcome Week Committee was discussed. Committee members are excited about the changes to engage students during this time.

8. Housing Selections Update

An update was provided on housing during the summer terms. There are currently 535 registered for housing, with 308 of those being current students.

9. Pre-registration Count

Data on preregistration was discussed. By the end of the first week, a total of 450 students had enrolled for Summer I 2016, 241 for Summer II 2016, and 993 for Fall 2016.

10. Professional Development Week Discussion

A group of employees across campus have met to discuss ideas for professional development week. Topics included student success, interdepartmental conversations, program enhancement, and best practices for Blackboard.

11. Scholar's Day

UAM will host Scholar's Day for high school seniors on April 18, 2016. Changes have been made to help students become more familiar with the campus and activities, and the academic unit they will major in.

12. Summer Retreat

Members were asked to provide suggestions for agenda items at the summer meetings.