

Executive Council Minutes

March 12, 2019

Present: Karla Hughes, Alex Becker, Peggy Doss, Moses Goldman, Linda Rushing, Bob Ware, Jeff Weaver, Christy Pace, Dan Boice

1. HLC Update

The HLC Committee has been working diligently to complete the tasks required for our review in June, which will involve a four-week analysis. The current primary focus is the Assurance Agreement, which will be loaded into the portal at the end of May. The other items needed are updates to the University's strategic plan, an enrollment management plan, and a campus management plan.

2. Legislative Update

April 12 could be a possible adjournment date for the legislative session. Updates were given on specific bills being watched that could affect UAM.

3. ARE-ON Board Meeting

A meeting was held yesterday in Little Rock. David Merrifield, the current Executive Director will be retiring July 1, so a search is underway for his replacement. Efforts are being made to connect major networks and improvements are taking place. McGehee is on their radar.

4. Texarkana/Hope Collaboration

The possibility of collaborating with the University of Arkansas Community College at Hope-Texarkana is being looked into. More details will be discussed on ways this type of partnership could be successful and beneficial to both parties involved.

5. Save AR Students/Substance Abuse Awareness Week

Events being held this week regarding substance abuse awareness were mentioned, including the state-wide kickoff held at the State Capitol yesterday, and the Roundtable Discussion taking place tonight at the Fine Arts Center.