

Provost Check-In Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 26, 2024

Microsoft Teams

8:15 am – 8:30 am

I. Provost Donna Arnett

II. Mary Anne Fitzpatrick

- Faculty support resources

III. Shout-out for academic excellence

Academic excellence point – Graduate Program rankings/NAE appointment

Several shout outs today:

- The U.S. News Online Program Graduate Rankings were released on Feb. 7.
 - The College of Nursing retained the No. 1 ranking for the online master's in nursing for the fourth straight year.
 - The online master's in nursing education ranked No. 3.
 - The College of Education also earned recognition for the graduate online education program, which ranked No. 23.
- These are examples that reflect the university's excellence in graduate education, and I commend Dean Andrews, Dean Hodges and the CON and COE faculty and staff for creating programs of distinction.
- Additionally, the National Academy of Engineering recently announced the newest inductees.
 - The 2024 class included Susan Richardson, the Arthur Sease Williams Professor of Chemistry in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences.
 - Dr. Richardson, while not an engineer, is being recognized for her interdisciplinary research about decontaminating drinking water and identification of environmental contaminants.
 - Being elected to the NAE is an exceptional accomplishment, and I congratulate Dr. Richardson for her extraordinary achievement.

Spring Meeting Topics

March 11th – Lara Lomicka Anderson– CircleIn

March 25th – Lisa Jerald – Dealing w-angry parents and students

April 8th – Toby Jenkins- Faculty advancement

April 22nd– Shannon Means – USC Data Update