

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
Division of Academic Affairs
“the heartbeat of the University”
Deans’ Council Retreat
July 16-17, 2009
Caraway Conference Center & Camp
Sophia, NC

“Improving the Intellectual Climate at NCA&T State University”

Day One - Thursday, July 16, 2009

- 8:00 – 8:30 Check-in (Lobby)
- 8:30 – 9:00 Continental Breakfast (Dining Room)
- 9:00 – 9:15 Welcome/Retreat Objectives/Team Exercise
- 9:15 – 10:30 **Focus Session I – Strategic Planning**
Facilitator: Dr. Alton Thompson, Interim Provost and VC for Academic Affairs
- Building on the Legacy
 - University Priorities
 - Academic Plan (Dr. Michael Plater)
 - UNC Tomorrow (Dr. Kenneth Murray)
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 11:30 Interdisciplinary Programs Administration
Facilitator: Dr. Kenneth Murray, AVC for Academic Affairs
- 11:30 – 12:00 Faculty/Staff Development
Facilitators: Ms. Linda McAbee, VC for Human Resources, Mr. Line Butler, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Human Resources and Mr. Rob Kramer, Director, Center for Leadership and Organizational Excellence
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch (Dining Room)
- 12:00 - 12:45 (Lunch)
 - 12:45 – 1:00 (Relaxation, Emails, Telephone calls, etc.)
- 1:00 – 3:00 **Focus Session II – Improving the Intellectual Climate at NCA&T State University**
Facilitator: Dr. Claudette L. Smith, Program Leader, Cooperative Extension Program
- 3:00 – 3:30 **Break (Dining Room) - Refreshments**
- 3:30 – 4:30 **Continued: Focus Session II – Improving the Intellectual Climate at NCA&T State University**
Facilitator: Dr. Claudette L. Smith, Program Leader, Cooperative Extension Program
- 4:30 – 5:00 Day One Wrap-Up
- 5:30 – 6:15 Dinner (Dining Room)



Day Two – Friday, July 17, 2009

- 7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast (Dining Room)
- 7:30 – 8:15 (Breakfast)
 - 8:15 – 8:30 (Emails, Telephone calls, etc)
- 8:30 – 8:45 Room Check-out (Bedroom keys returned to Ms. Tina Foxx) - Lobby
- 8:45 – 9:00 Ice Breaker
- 9:00 – 10:15 **Focus Session III – Integrating University Studies Across the Curriculum**
Facilitator: Dr. Joseph Graves, Dean, University Studies
- Core Courses
 - Cluster Courses
 - Service Learning
 - Capstone
 - Evaluation and Assessment of Student Learning
- 10:15 – 10:30 Break
- 10:30 – 11:30 **Focus Session IV – SACS Accreditation: A Conversation with the Deans**
Facilitator: Dr. Lea E. Williams, AVC for Institutional Planning, Assessment and Research
- Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)
 - Creating a Culture of Evidence
- 11:30 – 12:00 Undergraduate Research Program
Facilitator: Dr. Joseph Graves, Dean, University Studies
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch (Dining Room)
- 12:00 - 12:45 (Lunch)
 - 12:45 – 1:00 (Relaxation, Emails, Telephone calls, etc.)
- 1:00 – 1:30 Title III
Facilitator: Dr. Kenneth Murray, AVC for Academic Affairs
- 1:30 – 2:00 **Updates/Issues**
Dr. Alton Thompson, Interim Provost and VC for Academic Affairs
- Information Technology
 - Budget Update
 - Faculty/Staff Institute
 - UNC Asheville Exchange Cultural Program (Dr. Kenneth Murray)
 - Freshmen Procedures for Placement in Writing and Math (Drs. Craig, Plater, and Williams)
- 2:00 – 2:30 Deans' Retreat Evaluation (Departure)
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