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Office of the Provost

Enrollment - Fall 2017

Numbers will not be final until the census date in October. However, as of this morning we have approximately 8,300 students enrolled. This is compared to our final census of 8,407 for fall term last year. We still have additional students who will show up to register. Please work with late-coming students to assist them in registering and contact department chairs and deans as needed on their behalf.

Strategic Planning Update

Dr. Markwood mentioned that the current version of the Strategic Plan would be posted this week. You can find it at https://www.columbusstate.edu/strategicplan/docs/Strategic-Plan-Draft-Aug_8_2017.pdf. Gina Sheeks and I will make a presentation at the September Senate meeting. The strategic initiatives around which the goals and action items are developed are:

1. Academic Excellence
2. Student-centered campus
3. Innovation and Creativity
4. Partnerships
5. Leadership
6. Sustainability

Welcome to 31 New Faculty Members!

We are fortunate to welcome 31 new faculty members this fall. They will be introduced this afternoon at the Fall Faculty meeting in Legacy Hall. There are 6 in the College of the Arts; 5 in the Turner College of Business; 9 in the College of Education and Health Professions; and 11 in the College of Letters and Sciences. You should have received a document that provided a brief bio of each individual from Dr. Stokes that will tell you

more about each of our new colleagues. Please join me in extending a warm welcome to each of them.

Fall Faculty Meeting

The Fall Faculty meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. today in Legacy Hall on the RiverPark campus. It will be followed by a reception in the lobby. A number of faculty members will be recognized and all faculty should attend.

First Year Convocation

The First Year Convocation is scheduled for Thursday, August 25 at noon in University Hall Auditorium. A reception will follow on the 2nd floor of Davidson. The speaker will be Stefan Lawrence, the 2016 Muscogee County School District Teacher of the Year and a former student-athlete at CSU. He is going to speak on how to make a positive impact in the world through one's career. Please communicate to all first year students in your classes that it is an expectation that they attend.

