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Academic Affairs Committee
November 10, 2026

Discussion Item

AAC – 1 Academic Affairs Update (Boyette)

Background Information

Provost Boyette will share updates on the recent UNC System Provost and Chief Financial Officer meeting held at UNCG, the university's AI initiatives, a new student success grant, *Spartan Futures,* and the University Libraries dean search.

AAC 1.1- Academic Affairs Update PowerPoint

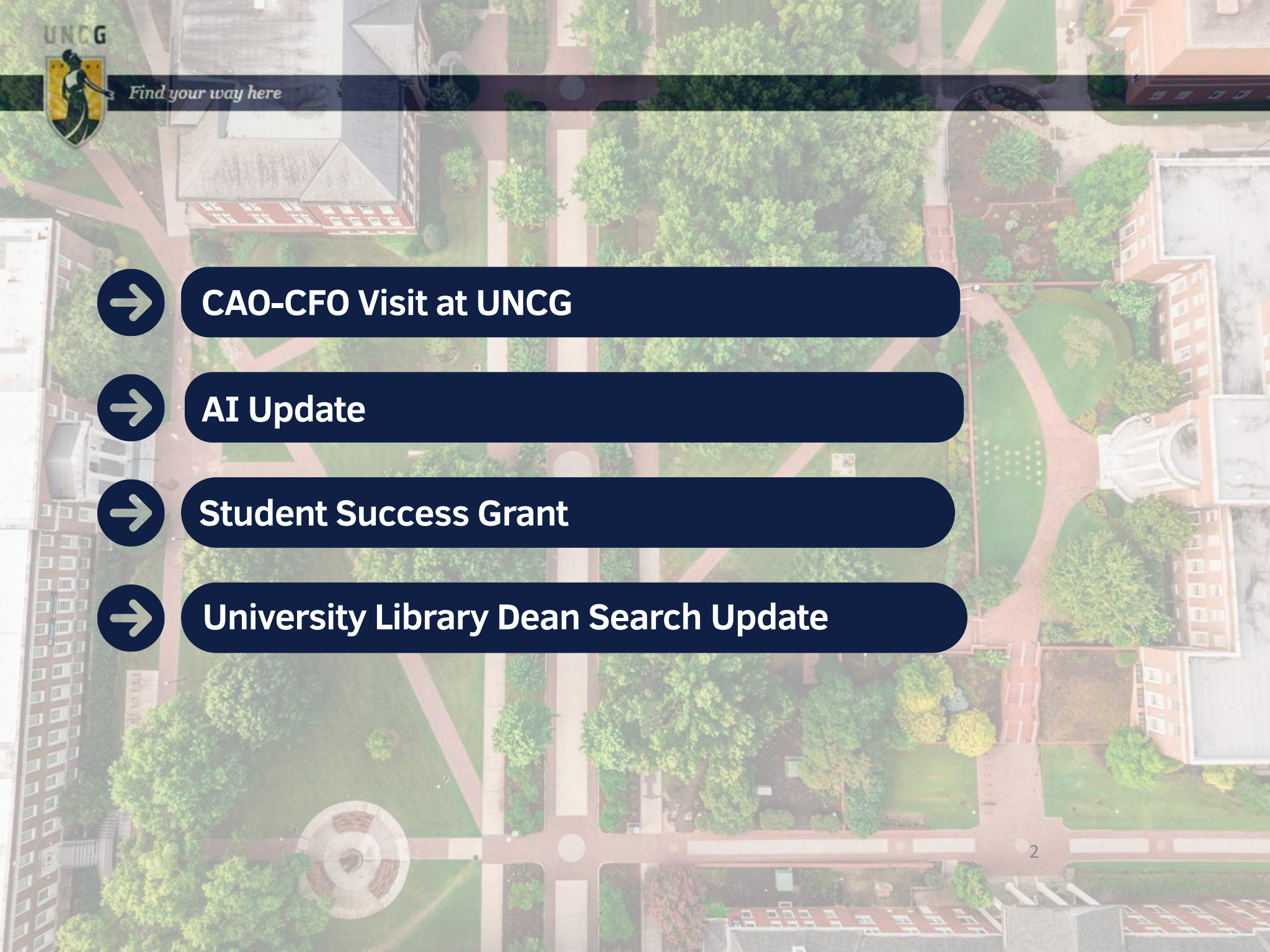
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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS UPDATE

Alan Boyette, PhD
Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor



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- CAO-CFO Visit at UNCG
- AI Update
- Student Success Grant
- University Library Dean Search Update






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Provost

1. AI Ready Graduates

1. Ensure that UNCG graduates are prepared to use artificial intelligence responsibly, critically, and effectively within their disciplines and future professions.

2. AI Enhanced Teaching & Learning

Identify successful AI use cases. Expand AI website guidance for faculty. Recommend training/ development needs.

3. AI Enhanced Research

Identify high-value AI applications across research, scholarship, and creative activity; develop practical guidance for responsible AI use in research; identify opportunities to improve research workflows and reduce administrative burden; recommend training and support for faculty and student researchers

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Work with the career and professional development office to prepare a résumé and cover letter based on an AI project from class.

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Lindsay Draper
School of Nursing (NUR)



Marketa Rickley
Bryan School of Business and Economics (BRY)

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October 20 AI showcase

200+ attendees

Product demos
Spartan AI, ChatGPT Edu, and Microsoft Copilot

Faculty showcasing AI in teaching:
Jessica McCall, Chris Damasceno,
Greg Grieve, and Lindsay Draper

Staff: Carla Wilson and Thomas Payne

Spartan Futures

A Coordination of Students' Success and Career Path Ecosystem

UNC Greensboro awarded a five-year, $3 million federal Strengthening Institutions Program grant

October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2031

Connecting learning, support, and career preparation from enrollment to career



Spartan Futures

CORE SUCCESS	CONNECTED PLANNING	TARGETED SUPPORT	CAREER PATHWAYS
Faculty fellows will redesign 30 to 50 high-enrollment and gateway courses across 8 to 12 departments to improve belonging, confidence, and course success.	Smart Plan and Navigate360 will connect degree planning, advising, early alerts, and career milestones, so students get the right help at the right time.	Tutoring, Supplemental Instruction, and embedded peer coaching will be aligned to the courses where students struggle most, along with mentoring, academic recovery, and financial literacy.	Career and Professional Development will build career maps into degree planning and expand employer, alumni, and work-based learning opportunities.

University Libraries Dean Search

- November 2: Job Posted
- Mid-January: Semi-Finalist Interviews
- February: Finalist Interviews on Campus
- Search Chair: Dean Kimberly Petersen



QUESTIONS?



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