

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 29, 2011

CPR 245

PRESENT: Roberta Baer, Catherine Beneteau, James Cavendish, Eric Eisenberg, Richard Manning, Kelly Page Werder, David Payne, Christine Probes, Hari Srikanth, Michelle Bombaugh, Mary Sweely, Sharon Johnson-Hamilton

ABSENT: John Cochran, Cheryl Kirstein Robert Potter, Sandy Schneider, Mark Stewart, Wei Zhang

1. Meeting called to order
2. Minutes from the April 1 meeting were approved.
3. Council membership issue: Sharon Johnson-Hamilton gave the election results for the 2011-2012 Faculty Council members. They are as follows:

Richard Manning, Philosophy

Adriana Novoa, History

Philip Reeder, Geography

Kristina Schmidt, CMMB

Julie Harmon, Chemistry (Julie who is on the Library Committee will be replaced by Diane TeStrake (ALT 1.) Bogdan Onac will become the ALT. for the Library Committee.

Michael Gibbons, GIA (ALT) will replace Dr. Sandy Schneider who will be on Development Leave for 2011-2012 term.

Kelly Page Werder and Catherine Beneteau's replacements for Spring Semester will be discussed at the next meeting.

Other committee changes are as follows:

Diversity Committee: Elizabeth Vaquera (ALT) will replace Mark Hafen who elected not to be on the Committee. Steven Tauber will become the ALT.

4. Dean's remarks: Dr. Eisenberg thanked the council for all their hard work during the year. He noted that a lot of things are happening within the College. The Dean's office is working through the budget waiting for final figures from administration. He also discussed the Chair turnovers in the college for fall.

Dr. Manning asked about the feedback from chairs regarding teaching loads. Dr. Eisenberg noted that some teaching loads were increased where some were not. He supports the Chair's judgment on this matter. He also noted that this was a message from the Provost that this was to be applied only to people who not active in research. Chairs are handling this very well.

Dr. Probes remarked that research should be measured by quality not quantity.

David Payne stated that tracking the e-mails regarding legislation is very hard. Dr. Eisenberg stated that the Provost would speak of this at the Spring Assembly.

5. Committee reports were read and accepted.
6. Faculty Council Report was read and accepted by all members.
7. Old Business: Dr. Baer brought up the issue of Central Scheduling Classes should be Monday thru Friday. Also, some required classes should be held on Friday. She stated that maybe the council should take a pro-active role in these issues.

The issue of discretionary raises which was introduced to the council earlier in the year is still on hold.

8. New Business: Direction of Council for next year, space scheduling, discretionary raises. Student success and strategy for the college.

DWF issues, writing center & faculty student ratio.

Boot camp for freshmen and issues regarding students with learning disabilities.

Another issue would be having only one assembly during the year.

9. Dr. Manning thanked Dr. Baer and Dr. Payne for serving on the Council.

10.Meeting adjourned.