College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Meeting Minutes February 17, 2017

Attendees: Elizabeth Bell, Lee Braver, Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Mark Goldman, Nataša Jonoska, Sarah Kruse, Dana Pittman, Robert Potter, Stephen Prince, Sue Rhinehart, Amy Rust, Michael Shuman, Steven Walczak Guest: Randy Larsen

Absent: Eric Eisenberg, Antoinette Jackson, Christopher Osovitz, Brian Space

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Michael Shuman
- II. Review of Minutes: January Minutes were reviewed and approved.
- III. Dr. Michael Shuman gave an overview of the following items:
 - Michael is working on getting Brent Smith to come and update to the committee on RCM.
 - Spring Assembly Michael will send the committee an email requesting suggestions of questions or areas of interest to ask the Dean about during the assembly. There will also be time set aside on the Spring Assembly Agenda for general questions from the faculty.
 - Parking Issues Michael is trying to get someone from Parking services to come and answer questions pertaining to Parking issues (annual fees and not being enough parking spaces for pass holders).
- IV. Dr. Randy Larsen spoke about the Research and Scholarship Department, and what they are working on. They have been in transition from last year to this year with restructuring staff for better support. They are trying to balance the research profile vs the output of research. This year they are working on the Funding Profile, Better Marketing, looking into putting together a database to make it easier to bring faculty together to get better funding, and looking at three areas that make up CAS: Healthy People, Healthy Environment, and Healthy Communities. Over the last two years the college is up about 25% in funding, up about 15% so far this year. He know about some of the issues with IRB and if someone is having issues with them, they can contact his department for help. During the discussion with the committee, Randy stated that his department could produce a summary sheet and ask for feedback. Also have the departments collect issues/problems and send to his department to see if they could help with them.
- V. Dean's Remarks:
 - Dr. Potter did a presentation on Degree Productivity. He stated that colleges were moving forward towards greater accountability. Three to four years ago the Board of Governors starting looking at duplications of programs at the

Universities. They are now tracking the different programs. He handed out two printouts (USF Degrees Awarded and Enrollment by Academic Year – TPA only and USF Academic Program Productivity – TPA only) and explained the information and what the college has been working on and what to be aware of for the future.

- VI. Old Business:
 - Explore Tuition Consortium for USF: Dr. Cleveland-Roberts checked with HR and there had been some talk about exploring it at USF, but nothing came of it. If the Faculty Council would like to pursue it, someone from Faculty Council committee will need to try and get it on the Faculty Senate agenda. Dr. Shuman asked someone from the committee to volunteer to get information on this issue and bring it to the next meeting. Lee Braver volunteered.
 - CAS Governance Document CAS Faculty Council Sub-committee: The committee will be meeting Friday, February 24th and will bring an update to the Faculty Council at the March meeting.
- VII. Meeting Adjourned