

College of Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes
January 16, 2015

Attendees: Elizabeth Bell, Eric Eisenberg, Cheryl Hall, Lorene Hall-Jennings, Nataša Jonoska, Stephen McNutt, Adriana Novoa, Dana Pittman, Philip Porter, Robert Potter, Christine Probes, David Rabson, Amy Rust,

Absent: Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Chuck Connor, Vickie Gregory, Christopher Osovitz, Michael Shuman

- I. Meeting called to order.
- II. Review of Minutes: November Minutes were approved.
- III. Announcements: Dr. Probes had two announcements.
 - Dr. Bell has requested that the Faculty Council request nominations for the USF Sabbatical Committee for the CAS College. The Faculty Council will vote on the nominations and forward the names to Dr. Bell.
 - Dr. Wilcox would like to have a conversion with the Faculty Council pertaining to Dr. Eisenberg. His reappointment time is coming up.
- IV. Deans' remarks: Dr. Eisenberg, Dr. Bell and Dr. Potter discussed the following topics:
 - Preparing for SAC Accreditation, review will be in April 2015. We are in good shape. Due at the end of 2015.
 - We are experiencing changes in our enrollment patterns. Working on changing the mix – sustainability, more out of state students.
 - CAS is still working on their online courses/sessions. The college wants to make sure the online sessions are being done correctly.
 - The Dean for the Patel College of Global Sustainability left in the Fall of 2014. The Deans have asked the Provost to reconsider this college and make it better franchised for all participating schools.
 - Dr. Eisenberg, Karla Davis-Salazar and Roger Brindley have been doing “listening tours” with different student groups within USF. They are looking for ways to make USF World a better center.
 - CAS is in the hiring season. Physics have had an offer accepted. We have several other offers out. We have many searches that are going on now and also working on retention and keeping the talent we have now.
 - Statistic Focus: Working with Drug Discovery – Bio research and medical use of cannabis, STEM education, 3D education, Natural Hazards, and Civil Society & Conflict. Chuck Connor working with STEAM. He has been talking with the Humanities and the Arts. Looking to have a STEAM event next year like our Oktoberfest that we do each year.

- Dr. Bell gave an update on the T&P Procedures revision. The T&P Procedures committee are still working on the latest draft and will have it to the Faculty Council by their next meeting on February 20.
- CAS had 23 T&P cases this year.
- Dr. Potter distributed a USF Tampa Campus Gross SCH report, Spring 2014 vs Spring 2015 and went over it with the committee.

V. Old Business: The issues around Orbitz Travel and the travel forms requested by BSS to process travel for travelers were discussed. Dr. Eisenberg was going to look into this a little further. Daniel Kanouff might be brought in to explain and answer any questions that the committee might have.

VI. New Business:

- It was brought to the Faculty Council's attention that faculty was needing help working with their research proposals, auditing them and staying on top of guidelines, Dr. Eisenberg will look into this.

VII. Meeting Adjourned