

USF College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Council

Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 25, 2022

Time: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Attendees:

Stephen Aikins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Byron Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Allison Cleveland-Roberts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Toru Shimizu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chantale Bégin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scott Perry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Eric Eisenberg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paul Schulz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Anthony Coy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jarod Roselló	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Daniel Kanouff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Susan Toler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Karla Davis-Salazar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steven Reader	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Paul Kirchman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Michelle Hughes Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hariharan Srikanth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Randy Larsen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Jennifer Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stephan Schindler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Magali Michael	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
David Merkler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Razvan Teodorescu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Robert Potter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Attachments: Faculty Council Agenda 2-25-2022
Faculty Council Minutes Revised 2-25-202

Agenda Item		Discussion	Action / Follow-Up
1)	Old Business 1. Approval of previous meeting minutes	1. Minutes were approved from last meeting held on February 25, 2022, pending minor error.	
2)	New Business 1. Updates from the Chair (Steven Reader) 2. Standing Committee Updates 3. Updates from our Associate Dean's 4. Faculty Senate Updates 5. Dean's Remarks 6. Final Comments	Updates from Chair Steven Reader: 1. Spring Assembly: Wanted to get input from Faculty Council on whether Spring Assembly should be held virtually, in-person or follow a hybrid model. Michelle Hughes Miller suggested that the Spring Assembly should be held virtually, for flexibly across all campus to attend the event. She also mentioned that with consolidation, we should look to spreading each Assembly on different campuses to instill fairness for everyone across all sister campuses. Steven suggested that a hybrid Spring Assembly would be a good option in that everyone who can attend, would be able to attend and those who can't, could watch the event live. Steven will follow up with members of the Faculty Council on which mode would be best for this Spring Assembly.	4. Steven will follow up with members of the Faculty Council on which mode would be best for this Spring Assembly.

		<p>2. CAS Standing Committee Liaison Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Perry –Liaison to Library Committee. Scott was not able to attend the meeting but provided Chair Steven with an update that the Library Committee is going well, and he has been a part of meetings with Chair Regina Hewitt. • Chantale Begin – No update from Chantale but she referred to Allison for Academic Integrity and Grievance Committee for an update. Allison stated that she did not have much for an update but noted that it's been slow for this Committee as they have not gotten many grievances. • Jarod Rosello –Liaison to Core Facilities Committee. No update. • Stephen Aikins – Liaison to Technology Committee. Met with Sonia Manna and Michael Abrahams in the CAS Dean's Office to access the plan to purchase computers/PC's/Apple laptops by the end of the fiscal year. Noted that IT is working hard to install almost all of the PC's in CAS! • Stephan Schindler - Liaison to Faculty Development. No update. • Michelle Hughes-Miller – Diversity Committee Liaison. A lot in process with ongoing legislation impacting Florida classrooms and workplaces. Michelle noted that along with these new legislations, this could have a significant impact on faculty with pushback on teaching, teaching evaluations and its effect on T&P as student feedback plays a major role in that process. <p>3. Updates from Associate Dean Allison Cleveland-Roberts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rachel Dubrofsky – Working with faculty, hearing faculty concerns with regards to these legislations. ○ Allison will be meeting with Diversity Committee in April, working to help solve/create resolution for these legislations. ○ Apart of the QEP Taskforce with focus on High Impact Practices and Undergraduate Research. <p>Updates from Associate Dean Toru Shimizu:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Working to update T&P data, will upload to Faculty Affairs website. ○ Voting on Governance Document with regards to Undergraduate/Graduate Academic Integrity& Grievance Committees. ○ New process for CAS Nominations for FC & Standing Committees: Working on forming Committees for Faculty Council/Standing Committee for 22/23 term. Dr. Shimizu is working alongside Chair Steven Reader to create a nominations form that will be sent out to CAS Chairs/Directors and due by April 1, 2022, that way current Faculty Council can vote before final meeting of Spring semester and all spots filled and in place by Fall 2022 	
4)	Update from Faculty Senate	<p>4. Anthony Coy informed Faculty Council that Faculty senate met February 16, 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ USF Faculty Senate: Passed election schedule. UFF negotiations still underway, a lot of "take it or leave it". 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget: Looking promising but would be hurting branch campuses and faculty due to no contract in place. No effect on Tampa campus. Salary inequities across the different campuses. ○ Academic Freedom Workgroup led by Brian Connolly: Looking at freedom policies ○ Anthony noted he asked the Senate Ex. Committee to reach out to HR to see if they will be prepared to present their views on the tuition exchange program in the March meeting, as it was requested in the Jan. 19 senate meeting. ○ Next meeting will be held on March 23, 2022, from 3:00pm - 5:00pm. 	
5)	Dean's remarks	<p>5. Dean Eisenberg presented to Faculty Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with Technology and Space Committees • Interim President Rhea Law- Could possibly be USF's next president. She has been transparent and helping with the budget. Assisting with finding new Provost. • "Stop WOKE Act" and "Don't Say Gay Bill" both passed. Eric suggested that someone will fight these bills as they place a significant on education throughout Florida and USF. • Strategic Plan: Has been approved. Aligns with College/VP areas and will be implemented on July 1st. • Working with Board of Governors: Helping with more internship opportunities for students, building relationships with top employers to assist in recruiting more of our students for jobs. • CAS Staff Appreciation Event: Will be held March 4th, 2 pm-4 pm. This will be an event to thank our Staff in CAS for all of their hard work. 	
6)	Final Comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Will finalize date for Spring Assembly and relay to Faculty Council as well as how the event will take place (virtual, in-person or hybrid). 2. Next meeting will be held March 25, 2022, from 2pm – 4pm via Microsoft Teams. 	

Next Meeting: March 25, 2022, at 2pm

Minutes Submitted by: Dominique Williams