College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Meeting Minutes January 11th, 2019

Attendees: Eric Eisenberg, Elizabeth Bell, Lee Braver, Cecil Greek, Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Antoinette Jackson, Nataša Jonoska, Robert Potter, Kersuze Simeon-Jones, Steven Walczak, Brailen Guerra, Randy Larsen, Elizabeth Aranda

Absent: Mark Goldman, Jennifer Johnson, Jane Jorgenson, Sarah Kruse, Stephen Prince, Pablo Brescia.

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Simeon-Jones
- II. Introduction: Brailen Guerra was introduced to the Faculty Council, he will be helping take minutes for the meetings.
- III. Review of Minutes: There were no minutes to review from previous meeting.
- IV. Dean's remarks: Dean Eisenberg gave an update on several items.
 - Started off by mentioning that the Tenure and Promotions has had a great year with the whole process.
 - Recently obtained some world scholar money, there was a recognition value where professors are leaving for being underpaid. This money will help obtain and retain high performing Faculty.
 - Phi Beta Kappa will have a ceremony to induct the students and receive the official charter from Nationals.
 - On the topic of consolidation, the CIC worked out the logistical and will have the inputs of the formed committees for the deadline in February 8th.

V. Old Business:

- Mukherjee- Brailen got in contact and set up with Dr. Mukherjee to come to the next Faculty Meeting
- Speech Issue- Recently has been no screaming or debacle. There was a peaceful bible study approach where they handed out bibles. It was discussed to remove the topic from tracking.
- Tuition- A discussion was mentioned that the committee has done what they can with it and asked if dean could become a liaison with finance to help institute the benefits.

VI. New Business:

- Bookstore- There was an issue with Faculty and the bookstore not holding its deadline. It was implied to hold the bookstore more accountable since they are expected to meet the contract standard.
- USF CAS is on path to buy land for geosciences research.
- It was clarified the methods Dr. Pritish takes to increase reputation of the school.
- It was discussed that Dr. Kersuze Simeon-Jones will be getting in touch with Dr. Charles Stanish, for a possible visit during the March FC Meeting. This visit will be for an update on the hiring process for the University's new president.
- VII. Discussion on consolidation: The council discussed what the next steps are for the Provost and the upcoming deadline. It was mentioned that there are committees being manufactured for each department where it is composed of 5 Faculty Members. It was mentioned that the Faculty from the Tampa campus are not going to the sessions to voice their concern. From this point on it is 3 weeks until the deadlines and it is not stressed enough that the faculty should highlight the negative of splitting up.
- VIII. Meeting Adjourned