

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

Attendees: Cecil Greek, Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Kersuze Simeon-Jones, Brailen Guerra, Jane Jorgenson, Jarod Rosell, Frances Ramos, Karla Davis-Salazar, Michelle Hughes-Miller, David Merkler, Jennifer Johnson, Steven Reader, Chantale Begin, Eric Eisenberg, Elizabeth Aranda

Absent: Robert Potter, Jennifer Johnson, Elizabeth Bell,

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Simeon-Jones.**
- II. Review of Minutes:** Minutes were reviewed and changes were made accordingly
- III. Dean's remarks:**
 - USF Continues to rise as a top public research university
 - Preparation for the legislative session is at an early stage and there is a lot of talk about budget
 - There is discussion about Performance Base Funding (PBF) and pre-eminence funding. We are currently pursuing 37 million for preeminence and have been asked to increase it to 50 million. This new funding will translate to around 150 new faculty lines university-wide. It is very important that we receive this funding since we did not receive PBF or pre-eminence funding last year and the school has grown even more since then. Currently the school has raised in reputation and rankings as much as we can with our current financial resources.
 - Organization is still an issue with consolidation and a compromise needs to be acquired. Consolidation was further discussed in the meeting.
- IV. Old Business:**
 - Results from the votes was discussed and some errors were pointed out on the charts. Corrections were noted and corrected.
- V. New Business:**
 - Fall assembly was discussed

- Event is being held on November 22 at CWY 206.
- Attendance has been low in the past, how can we get it higher?
- It was discussed to change the structure of how the assembly is held and focus on reducing the amount of that people read the reports.
- Will have committees only review the 3 important highlights and focus on a more interactive assembly.

VI. Meeting Adjourned