College of Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes
September 16, 2016

Attendees: Elizabeth Aranda, Elizabeth Bell, Lee Braver, Pablo Brescia, Mark Goldman, Nataša Jonoska, Christopher Osovitz, Dana Pittman, Robert Potter, Stephen Prince, Amy Rust, Michael Shuman

Absent: Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Eric Eisenberg, Sarah Kruse, Barbara Leighly

I. Meeting called to order by Michael Shuman
II. Introductions: First meeting of the 2016 fall semester and committee has 8 new members. Did a round table where everyone introduced themselves.
III. Review of Minutes: April Minutes were reviewed and approved.
IV. Selection of Chair and Deputy Chair for the CAS Faculty Council Committee: Michael Shuman was elected Chair, and Amy Rust and Chris Osovitz were elected Deputy Chairs.
V. Standing Committee Nominations: Dana Pittman presented the outstanding CAS Standing Committee nominees to the Faculty Council Committee for the Faculty Development, Computer, Diversity and Grievance Committees. The Faculty Council filled the vacancies on the standing committees from the list of faculty, staff and students that were nominated. The CAS Faculty Council committee has an opening for a Faculty member from the Social Sciences departments. Gabriel Picone, Economics, from a Social Sciences department was nominated for the committee, but is unable to serve and there were no other nominees on the ballot that are able to serve on this committee from Social Sciences. It was decided by the Faculty Council committee for Dana Pittman to contact the Social Science Chairs that do not have a representative already on the committee to see if anyone is willing to be nominated to serve on this committee. If there is anyone, we will do a ballot for the CAS Faculty to vote if the person is someone they want to represent them on the committee. If we do not have a nominee from a Social Science department or the Faculty does not vote a nominee to the committee, then we will go back to the results from the May 2016 ballot and appoint the next person in line on the ballot by vote count to the committee.
VI. New Business: Several of these items will need to be address to Dean Eisenberg.
  • Fall Assembly: Dana Pittman let the committee know that we were unable to reserve the auditorium we usually use in ISA for the Fall Assembly. We will be using the 7th Floor of the ISA building instead. The “Save the Date” email will be going out shortly. Fall Assembly will be December 2, 2016.
• Computer Committee: Faculty Council members feel they need to look at this committee and determine if the charge needs to be changed or if the committee is obsolete.
• Travel Issues: Nataša Jonoska brought some issues to the table pertaining to travel. Dana will contact Daniel Kanouff/BSS and ask him to attend the next Faculty Council meeting to let the committee know what BSS provides to the departments and answer travel questions.
• Pablo Brescia brought to the committee a request from someone in his department about parking issues on USF.
• Lee Braver brought to the committee a request to explore Tuition Consortium for USF.
• The committee would like some information on what is happening with RCM from Dean Eisenberg.
• Council member would like to request that Dr. Randy Larsen attend some of the Faculty Council meetings to address questions and issues brought to the committee.

VII. Old Business:
• Governance Document: Michael Shuman will bring the committee up to date at the next meeting on where we stand with the changes that need to be made, and what needs to be done next.

VIII. Dean’s Remarks: Drs. Potter and Bell did a brief overview of the following items.
• Gen Ed restructure: Bill Cummings is heading the Strategic Initiatives committee. The current program is being looked at by General Council. They are looking to maybe remodel what we have. Dr. Potter reminded the committee there is one opening on the General Ed Council if anyone is interested. These meetings are open for faculty to attend and is good when faculty is engaged with the process. Drs. Potter or Cleveland-Roberts will be attending these meetings.
• RCM: Dr. Potter handed out a Gross SCH report and explained how it ties to RCM. He spoke about RCM and how tuition dollars, student hours, student success, majors, performance based funding, goals from the provost office all tie to it.
• Dr. Bell talked about the 15 searches, which includes 4 new outside chairs that the college will be doing.
• Dr. Bell talked about how well the recruitment workshop that CASDO/Daniel Kanouff put on went recently. A lot of good Diversity initiatives were discussed.
• Dr. Bell explained that CAS has 25 T&P cases this year. This is about standard for the college. There are 12 T&P and 13 Promotion to Full.
• Dr. Bell spoke about CBA – extension probation for tenure that was agreed to by the college and faculty voted to extend to 7 years. New guidelines come in 2018/2019, but will not be for faculty who are already here.

IX. Meeting Adjourned