



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS
2020-2021 FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2021

Call to Order: 4:02PM, via WebEx

I. Roll Call

Montpetit announced Case was not able to attend meeting, Vice Chair Caceres will run council meeting.

Present: Hey, Whittaker, Yamazaki, Barnes, Caceres, Lawrence, Smith, Benton, Montpetit, McBane, Yaklin (proxy DeRosa), Kistner, Cook, Lingan, Miner, Dunn, Fritz, Day, Ferris, Stover, Black, Keith, Compora, Stroud, Nemeth, Beatty-Medina, Allred, Taylor, Voss, Mezo, Christman (proxy Tan), Baltus, Sakowski, Foss, Dudley, Rouillard, Semaan (37)

Absent: Zych, Carpenter, Alam, Feldmeier, Case (5); White (on family leave, replacement tbd)

Vacancies: 3

Guests: Gilbert, Hintz, Sullivan, Ayres, Stauch (5)

II. Approval of Agenda/Minutes

Questions raised about chat function not allowing some to reply to everyone, Montpetit requested chats be sent directly to him in chat box and will be read or recorded to council.

Agenda for meeting submitted for approval; Motion to approve, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. Agenda approved.

Minutes from last meeting held (March 9) submitted for approval, change in attendance made to minutes; Motion to approve amended minutes, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. Amended minutes approved.

III. Executive Report: Christopher Montpetit

Executive Committee report read by Montpetit, as proxy for Case; last met April 5; discussed upcoming agenda for council meeting; discussed notice of upcoming union meeting, did not discuss union matters but wanted to make an announcement to council that union meeting is scheduled for April 16 @ 4PM via Webex, union will distribute details and link prior to meeting; nothing else to report.

IV. Faculty Senate Report: Patrick Lawrence

Faculty Senate last met March 30; updates on dentistry program, already exists as division, looking to make it a stand-alone department, does not anticipate any need for more resources, is not a new college just a department upgrade; Provost applauded high rates for midterm grading, reported successful event for community project; May 8 will have virtual and in-person

graduation options, guidelines will be in place, reaching out to last year graduates to participate as well, PhD hooding ceremony planned for night before; Huntington Bank planning online programs for post-graduation finances, more details to be sent out; provided updates on COVID vaccine clinics, secured vaccines for UToledo students before they leave campus, appointment-only clinic details to be sent out; executive committee discussed Presidential search resolution and status of constitution, also met with Provost about fall enrollment; discussion held about revision of fall courses classroom capacity and shift from online to in-person, times/days of classes not to change, plan to implement revisions in next week or so, discussed procedure for labs regarding 3' rules; discussed faculty senate election protocols; nothing else to report.

V. Graduate Council Report: Patrick Lawrence (proxy for Case)

Graduate Council last met April 6; updates from executive committee on elections; discussed on-going efforts for enrollment; discussed external grants process and success; reported 3-minute thesis presentation winners; large discussion held on current revisions to research misconduct policy; update provided on task force efforts on new budget model; curriculum report included several new nursing programs and other program modifications, including those from CAL; nothing else to report.

VI. Dean's Report: Dean Gilbert

Provided update on strategic reinvestment funds for summer courses, finite amount of money but expects a robust summer schedule, working on schedule for April 16; discussed new social distancing guidelines for fall, moving from 6' to 3', will look at classrooms and size/attendance; provided update on upcoming vaccine clinics; discussed CAL awards, announced two new awards – outstanding service and outstanding staff, requested nominations be sent to Debbie Corkins by April 13; CAL ceremony will be May 8 @3PM, socially-distanced in Libby Hall; discussed MAC nominations and next deadline AYRP Program for undergrad research stipends/awards; announced Dan Hammel will be doing faculty workshop on National Science Foundation funding; announced Day of Giving starts April 7; announced Suzanne Smith selected as distinguished university lecturer, other award winners and student competition winners.

VII. Curriculum Committee Report: Linda Rouillard

Curriculum Committee met regarding 1 item, detailed documents previously sent out via email.

- One new course proposal – WGST3600 Feminist Health Humanities. One new course proposal submitted for approval; motion to approve, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. One new course proposal approved.

One more proposal slated for next meeting, with more possibly to be added.

VIII. Elections Committee Report: Jetsa Caceres

Reported Grad Council election winners were Sharon Barnes, James Ferris and Jami Taylor, will serve as CAL reps to Grad Council; at-large nominations/elections being setup in Blackboard, expect information in next few days; Montpetit reported that department reps are not elected by council but by individual departments, request made to have departments complete their elections soon so that new members can attend final council meeting; nothing else to report.

IX. Bylaws/Constitution Committee Report: Jami Taylor

Still waiting, nothing to report.

X. Old Business

None

XI. New Business

Council brought up concern that partner benefit application was denied, wanted to make others aware that university extension until end of year does not correct issue, discussion was held regarding university response and mission statement regarding improving the human condition; discussion continued with other choices university has made such as prescription benefits that impact faculty; Day reminded folks that if discussion becomes a union issue, union business can not be discussed in council, if any concerns want to be brought up to union, they should reach to union directly.

XII. Announcements/General Questions

- Couple upcoming events announced, visit meeting recording and transcript for details.

XIII. Appendices

None

XIV. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn, second. Vote - For 37, Against 0, Abstain 0.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 @ 4:00PM, via Webex

Secretary Notes:

- [Webex Recording](#) (with closed captioning, attendee list and chat transcript)
- [CAL Faculty Council Site](#) (website link)

Updated 4/8/21, subject to change.