



**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS**  
**2020-2021 FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 23, 2021**

**Call to Order:** 4:02PM, via WebEx

**I. Roll Call**

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

Absent: Whittaker, McBane, Zych, Miner, Feldmeier (5); White (on family leave, replacement tbd)

Vacancies: 3

Guests: Gilbert, Gregory, Hintz, Ayres, Stauch, Schroeder, Grant, Taylor (8)

**II. Approval of Agenda/Minutes**

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; Motion to approve, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. Minutes approved.

**III. Executive Report: Patricia Case**

Executive Committee last met March 19; discussed upcoming agenda for council meeting and confirmed Q&A/presentation by Matt Schroeder; nothing else to report.

**IV. Faculty Senate Report: Patrick Lawrence**

Faculty Senate last met March 16; discussed press release and announcement of President appointment, concern expressed by Executive Committee regarding shared governance; discussed trending data on enrollment, status of Faculty Senate constitution; no Provost report; discussed core curriculum status and update; discussion of draft resolution over lack of shared governance, resolution passed by senate, sent to President, Board of Trustees and state higher education group (resolution included with minutes); discussion of senate constitution, frustration with status and process, Board not putting it on agenda until April 14, impacts timing of senate process by end of term, discussed options to move forward, will continue with faculty town halls to show various changes while Board puts it on agenda in hopes to finish my term; resolution put forth and approved to add electronic ballots to future constitution vote; nothing else to report.

**V. Graduate Council Report: Patricia Case (proxy)**

Graduate Council last met March 23; number of COVID vaccines will be available for first-come

basis, more to be announced soon; report on stipends/waivers discussed, requested to make offers soon; hooding ceremony May 7, guidelines included; discussion of new assessment policy on website; approval of graduate program certificate; further discussion of budgets, new model, etc, forward questions to Case who will forward them to COGS; nothing else to report.

#### **VI. Dean's Report: Dean Gilbert**

None

#### **VII. Curriculum Committee Report: Linda Rouillard**

Curriculum Committee met regarding 3 items, detailed documents previously sent out via email, spreadsheet brought up in meeting.

- One program modification put forth – Psychology BA (deletion of pre-psychology requirements).
- Two course modification put forth – GGEO4650/5650 (name change), THR2660 (pre-req modification). One program modification and two course modifications submitted for approval; motion to approve, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. One program modification and two course modifications approved.

Deadline for Faculty Senate has passed, council will continue to review items for senate agenda in Fall.

#### **VIII. Elections Committee Report: Jetsa Caceres**

Reported 19 nominations came in for Grad Council, being setup in Blackboard, access will be available for Grad Council voting this week, winners to be announced at next council meeting; reported at-large and CCAP elections will be completed in April, due to constitution rules; nothing else to report.

#### **IX. Bylaws/Constitution Committee Report: Jami Taylor**

Still waiting, nothing to report.

#### **X. Old Business**

- Matt Schroder, Brenda Grant and Sabrina Taylor joined council meeting for a presentation/Q&A on budget model; questions previously sent to Schroeder, additional questions submitted during Webex meeting and through Webex chat (for detailed list of questions and answers, see Webex meeting recording and transcript); additional questions not discussed in meeting should be sent to Case to forward to Schroeder, questions for Dean will be forwarded to Dean.

#### **XI. New Business**

None

#### **XII. Announcements/General Questions**

- WGST upcoming events (see attached flyers).
- Question raised about resources, testing and accommodations for students; some resources available with Student Disability Services, additional resources listed in Webex chat.
- Political Science virtual event April 8, details in Webex chat

#### **XIII. Appendices**

- WGST Event Flyers
- Faculty Senate resolution

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

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 6, 2021 @ 4:00PM, via Webex

**Secretary Notes:**

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

*Updated 4/7/21, subject to change.*