

# COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS 2020-2021 FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES April 20, 2021

Call to Order: 4:01PM, via WebEx

#### I. Roll Call

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

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

Vacancies: 3

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

#### II. Approval of Agenda/Minutes

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

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 (April 6) submitted for approval; Motion to approve minutes, second. Vote - Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. Minutes approved.

#### III. Executive Report: Patricia Case

Executive Committee did not meet due to lack of business to discuss.

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

Faculty Senate last met April 13; presentation given by Matt Schroeder on new procedure of student non-payments including late fees and collections, effective this Fall, students will be contacted before classes begin (August 30), executive committee provided update on constitution, process delayed until Fall due to legal review by Ohio Department of Higher Ed; reported upward numbers in Fall enrollment; updates provided on Ohio Faculty Council on shared governance issues and watching Ohio Senate bill 105; Provost updates included May 8 in-person commencement, appreciation of faculty over past year support to students, update on Midwest Grad Symposium and annual faculty/advisor awards; provided update on upcoming vaccine clinics; reported finishing revisions on Fall schedule; few announcements made on Fulbright Workshop and President Postel university report May 3; updates provided on major

policy revisions to responsible research conduct (documents previously sent via email to council members).

#### V. Graduate Council Report: Patricia Case

Graduate Council last met April 20; presentation given on teaching/learning center (two files included with minutes); grad council executive committee will be elected next week; reported first payment for grad students scheduled for September 10, paperwork must be completed by beginning of August; edits to grad catalog being completed now; application/reporting for minors on campus for labs or classes required; updates on responsible research conduct policy (see Faculty Senate report as well); forward any questions to Case who will pass them along.

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

Provided update next budget year FY22, permanent cuts from last budget year and initiatives going forward, reported not as drastic as last year, continuing to revise; reported on Fall enrollment, down but working on making it flat; spoke on success of recent experience day, hopeful on increasing enrollment; reported on summer plan, includes strategic reinvestment support monies, few courses will be cancelled for various reasons including low enrollment, expects to run over 50 courses, much better than last Summer; CAL awards/honors ceremony will be May 7, thanks to retired faculty who helped to re-create the medals; reported three marshals have been invited to commencement; announced one student who passed will be receiving her posthumous degree; discussed safety guidelines and vaccine protocols; discussed distribution of first destination survey to seniors; discussed initiatives including employee accommodations and funding, reinstatement of merit-based scholarships, a retention and completion grant program, a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance program for students dealing with collections and financial difficulties and a flexible work policy proposal; CAL working on Asian violence/hate statement, will put out soon; congratulated those faculty receiving tenure/promotions and university awards.

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

Curriculum Committee met regarding 3 items, detailed documents previously sent out via email.

- Two program modifications THR Stage and Screen Minor (addition of THR2020 course as an option), THR BA (addition of same course as an option plus catalog description modifications).
- One course modification ENGL4960 (change from variable to fixed credit hours). Two
  program modifications and one course modification submitted for approval; motion to
  approve, second. Vote Approve 37, Not Approved 0, Abstain 0. Two program
  modifications and one course modification approved.

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

At-large elections open and running until Friday; discussion held (during announcements) about procedures for multiple nominations in different categories, elections committee will meet to discuss further and follow-up with council on updates via email.

## IX. Bylaws/Constitution Committee Report: Jami Taylor Nothing to report.

#### X. Old Business None

### XI. New Business

#### None

#### XII. Announcements/General Questions

- Two immediate events this week announced through chat and via email.
- Dan Hammel announced external funding workshop to be held April 21, invite previously sent out.

#### XIII. Appendices

- Dean Report/Outline (pdf)
- First Destination Survey (link)
- UToledo Event Registry (link)
- Grad Report Documents (TCTF Campus Dialogue and UT3364 Policy Draft pdfs)

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

Final Meeting/2020-2021 CAL Faculty Council –and-First Meeting/2021-2022 CAL Faculty Council: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 @ 4:00PM, via Webex

#### **Secretary Notes:**

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

Updated 4/21/21, subject to change.