

Minutes

Faculty Assembly, School of Liberal Arts

2:00-4:00 p.m., Friday January 24, 2014 LE 105

Faculty Members Present: Anton, M.; Ardemagni, E.; Barrows, R.; Bivin, D.; Blomquist, W.; Brant, H.; Buchenot, A.; Bute, J.; Carlin, P.; Carstensen, T.; Cohen, M.; Coleman, M.; Connor, U.; Craig, D.; Davis, T.; Douglas, M.; Eller, J.; Engels, E.; Foote, C.; Fox, S.; Freeman, J.; Friesen, A.; Gertz, A.; Gibau, G.; Goering, E.; Grossmann, C.; House-Soremekun, B.; Jain, A.; Kahn, S.; Kaufman-McKiviningen, J.; Kostroun, D.; Little, M.; Lyons, T.; Meister, J.P.; Morgan, A.; Parrish-Sprowl, J.; Rebein, R.; Robertson, N.; Rose, M.; Rossing, J.; Russell, S.; Saak, E.; Sandwina, R.; Schneider, W.; Sheeler, K.; Thill, E.; Thuesen, P.; Towfighi, S.; Traversa, A.; Upton, T.; Wang, J.; Weeden, S.; Wheeler, R.; White, R.; Wilson, J.; Wokeck, M.; Wood, E.; Zulaica Hernandez, I.

Guests: Illg, M; Jones, A.; Smith, C.;

1. Meeting was called to order by Faculty Assembly President Enrica Ardemagni at 2:00 p.m.
2. Student Affairs: Presentation by Vice Chancellor for Student Services Zeb Davenport, together with Tralicia Lewis and Jason Spratt, regarding the restructuring of Student Life and the Principles of Co-Curricular Learning (alignment with PULs). President Ardemagni went directly to this presentation while waiting for a quorum. Presentation slides are posted under the Faculty Assembly website. After presentation and questions and answer, Dean Blomquist asserted that this will be an on-going dialogue in seeking ways to enhance students' over-all academic experience.
3. The minutes from the meeting of 15 November 2013 were approved by acclamation.
4. President Ardemagni's General remarks: President Ardemagni thanked the guests from the Office of Student Services. She then noted that the nominating committee is at work to construct a list of nominees for SLA offices, and encouraged the members to consider serving. She made three further announcements:
 - The 25th Taylor Symposium will be held Tuesday, February 25th on the theme: Politics, Race, Place; sponsored by SLA in conjunction with the Department of Political Science and the Polis Center;
 - More A lot parking spaces this year; possibility to re-designate spaces; 50-60 spots reverting to B spaces. President Ardemagni thanked Sheri Eggleton and Parking Services for working with us;
 - There will be an SLA Promotion and Tenure Workshops on Feb. 17 & 18, 2014.
5. Dean's remarks:

- Dean Blomquist recognized and congratulated Faculty Colleagues who retired in December:
From Anthropology: Peg Williams
From English: Jim Powell; Anne Williams
From Sociology: Carol Gardner
- Dean Blomquist then welcomed new faculty member, Patrick Meister, in Economics;
- Please remember to FLAG students early in the semester for help; can be done via the performance roster system;
- Remember to nominate students for Top 100;
- Kick-off party for annual faculty-staff campaign: Feb. 19th, 2:15-3:45 in CA 508;
- Future of Journalism degree programs and faculty possibly to join SLA at IUPUI: under active consideration again

6. Old business: Faculty Affairs—Policy on Clinical Faculty Appointments. Proposal (document posted) passed unanimously

7. New business:

A. Graduate Curriculum Committee (Carrie Foote):

- Proposal for the Department of Economics to offer a joint BA/MA; passed unanimously; the document reflecting the changes will be posted on the FA website
- Changes Proposed for Spanish MAT (documents posted) : the proposal is to no longer require participation in a program of study at the University of Salamanca due to rising costs and increased faculty ability to offer sufficient instruction. Discussion followed; passed unanimously;

B. Teaching and Advising Committee (Scott Weeden):

- Trustee Teaching award submissions are due Feb. 7; particularly good to have tenure track submissions;
- Committee working on revising online course evaluation form;
- Some support in identifying community of online instructors, communication among instructors, etc. is needed. Oncourse site will be opened for online course instructors for discussion/interaction and support for online instructors;

C. Faculty Affairs (Jack Kaufman-McKivigan):

- Proposed By-Law changes for P&T (document posted); Dennis Bingham had informed problem with respect to P&T committee, referred to Faculty Affairs; SLA procedures for electing representative to campus P&T we are not following SLA guideline and if they did, they would not be in keeping with campus guidelines. Proposed changes passed unanimously; support staff to make document current and updated to reflect the changes;

D. Report from IFC (Dana Kostroun, David Craig): No January meeting due to weather closure.

8. Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Minutes Faithfully Submitted January 28, 2014

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