

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

DECEMBER 7, 2012

**PRESENT:** John Cochran, Kelly Page Werder, Christine Probes, Philip Reeder, Bernd Reiter, Hari Srikanth, Richard Manning, Mary Sweely

**ABSENT:** Catherine Beneteau, James Cavendish, Chuck Connor, Eric Eisenberg, Lorene Hall-Jennings, Julie Harmon, Adriana Novoa, Robert Potter, Kristina Schmidt, Sandy Schneider

- I. Meeting called to order.
- II. Minutes from November meeting approved with the exception of checking to see if the issue of the ad-hoc committee relating to Dr. Sadler's grievance was mentioned. As Dr. Sadler's grievance was presented and discussed at the October meeting, the Council concurred that there was no need to mention them in the November Minutes.
- III. Deans' remarks-Dr. Cochran informed the council that there was a short order from the Provost that all 75.5 searches need to be signed, sealed and delivered by 3/15/2013 deadline or they may be cancelled. The reason for this is that the budget scenario may change. Dr. Cochran has asked Dr. Eisenberg to check with Dr. Wilcox for re-consideration. If he doesn't, we need to have enough bodies in place to fill the lines, even if it has to be visiting Instructors, and that that the positions can be filled next year with permanent.  
He also stated that the Tenure & Promotion Committees have been very busy, and that there may be one 1 applicant that is denied promotion to full.  
Dr. Cochran noted that the School of Public Affairs has gone through all levels of review successfully, and it is waiting in the Provost Office to sign. It is hoped that it will be open in the spring.  
Dr. Cochran noted that there will be no money for startup in the new lines.
- IV. Draft Letter to Faculty-Dr. Manning presented a letter that he drafted to CAS faculty for the Council's approval regarding Gen Ed courses, course evaluations, and research productivity matrix. He noted that USF had contracted with a firm to do statistical analysis of faculty unit research productivity. He asked the council to look over the letter, make any suggestions and ask their approval to send it out after the meeting. Dr. Manning feels this should be brought to the attention of the faculty as soon as possible.  
Dr. Reiter approved the letter; a motion was made and approved by the other council members.  
Dr. Manning to send out today after council meeting.

- V. By-Laws for Faculty Council-It was suggested that an ad-hoc committee be formed to formulate by-laws for the council. Due to the absence of the other council members it was agreed to put this on the agenda for our next meeting during the Spring Semester.
- VI. Fall Assembly Report-Dr. Manning read his report to the council members for the Fall Assembly for suggestions or corrections. It was approved by council members.
- VII. Spring meeting times- An e-mail will be sent out to members in order to schedule the first meeting of the Spring Semester.
- VIII. No old business.
- IX. No new business
- X. Meeting adjourned.