

College of Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes
January 20, 2017

Attendees: Elizabeth Bell, Lee Braver, Mark Goldman, Antoinette Jackson, Nataša Jonoska, Dana Pittman, Robert Potter, Stephen Prince, Brian Space, Sue Rhinehart, Michael Shuman, Steven Walczak

Absent: Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Eric Eisenberg, Sarah Kruse, Christopher Osovitz, Amy Rust,

- I. Meeting called to order by Michael Shuman
- II. Review of Minutes: November Minutes were reviewed and approved.
- III. Michael Shuman gave an overview of the following items:
 - Michael has attended the last two CAS Council of Chairs meetings. He has found that they are pretty much a replication of the information that the Deans give in the Faculty Council meetings and that the committee is being well informed.
 - Randy Larsen has been contacted about attending one of the Faculty Councils upcoming meetings to go over Research Funding.
 - The Faculty Council subcommittee (Natasha Jonoska, Stephen Prince and Chris Osovitz) have been sent the updated CAS Governance Document so they have the opportunity to complete the editing of the document, determine if more input needs to be requested from faculty, and to complete the document by the April 2017 deadline.
 - The Fall Assembly went well. Dr. Eisenberg seemed to be happy with the event. The Dean answered all of the questions that were brought forward by the Faculty Council that they had received from the faculty.
- IV. Dana Pittman updated the Faculty Council committee on the plans for the Spring Assembly. The date of the assembly – April 19, 2017 and the venue (CWY 206) has been reserved. Still working on the reception, and Michael Shuman will put out a request to the faculty closer to the assembly requesting questions to bring to the Dean during the question/answer portion of the assembly.
- V. Dean's Remarks:
 - Dr. Potter answered some of the questions about RCM. RCM came out of the Budget Office from the University President. Universities that use RCM all have their own policies on how they use it. RCM is to go live in July 2017 at USF. The Dean's senior staff discusses RCM usually during their weekly meetings. We will have approximately the same budget as last year for the 2017/2018 budget year. The strategic plan will go out to all of the college to see once it is

completed. Faculty Senate has representation within the RCM committees. Dr. Potter invited the Faculty Council members to go to the Senate meetings or become part of the Senate.

- Dr. Potter handed the CAS Spring Scheduled Hours Report. College is down for spring – approximately 2%, with the University down approximately 3%. Head count for CAS for spring is about the same, but credit hours are down.
- Dr. Bell gave an update on T&P and Promotion to Full Applications. 22 applications over all. 11 T&P with 10 of the 11 being recommended by the college. 11 Promotion to Full with 10 of the 11 being recommended by the college. Her department is getting ready to start Mid-tenure.
- Dr. Bell noted that the college is engaged in 18 searches. Four of these are for Chairs/Directors.

VI. It was noted that when dealing with issues this committee will keep in mind the overall traditional role of the university.

VII. Old Business:

- Explore Tuition Consortium for USF: Dr. Cleveland-Roberts is still looking into this and will update the committee as she receives information.

VIII. New Business:

- Michael Shuman will contact Brent Smith, Director of Resource and Operational Support Service to see if he will attend one of the Faculty Council Committee meetings to explain where the university/college stands with RCM.
- Dr. Bob Potter asked to speak at our next meeting about Degree Productivity

IX. Meeting Adjourned