

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 21, 2011

PRESENT: Michelle Bombaugh, James Cavendish, John Cochran, Joseph De Salvo, Eric Eisenberg, Julie Harmon, Richard Manning, Adriana Novoa, Kelly Page Werder, Robert Potter, Christine Probes, Kristina Schmidt, Hari Srikanth, Mary Sweely, Allison Cleveland-Roberts

ABSENT: Catherine Beneteau (LOA), Cheryl Kirstein, Philip Reeder, Sandy Schneider (LOA)

- I. Meeting Called to order.
- II. Minutes of October 17, 2011 meeting were approved.
- III. Deans' remarks-Dr. Potter discussed the new Enrollment Team and their job of getting a handle on the enrollment. Tuition increase was discussed. Dr. Eisenberg stated that USF has the authority to do a 15% increase per year till we are at the median-possibly 20 years.
Dr. Eisenberg delivered some good news that USF had a first undergraduate to receive the Marshall Award. This is the second one awarded in the history of Florida. He also noted that the GAP Program has been extended. A group went to Panama to try to establish another GAP partner; hopefully the City of Knowledge will be added. Several issues were brought to the Dean's attention by the council. These included increasing of graduate stipends and raising it to the OSU level (the Dean said that everyone realizes this is a matter of first importance) and concerns regarding undergraduates taking classes on branch campuses (due to the course numbering they cannot transfer to our campus, but Bob Sullins is working to get this issue corrected). Dr. Eisenberg announced that Judy Ashcroft was the new Dean of University College. Also, three candidates are being interviewed for the COB Dean.
- IV. Resources needed to modify the FAIR/FAR System-Dr. Cochran shared with the council a memo from Kiki Caruson regarding collecting data from this system. The system would have to be upgraded to be able to collect data on International and Community Engagement by Faculty. Dr. Cochran mentioned that he thought the original proposal would be unduly burdensome on faculty, requiring them to engage in double inputting. He recommended instead just to put on the summary page two boxes to check, one box for international research and one box for community activities. It was suggested that the faculty be polled regarding this issue. It was recommended that this be put on the agenda for January.

- V. Tenure & Promotion External letter waiver policy- this item was again discussed and there is really no news to add. Dr. Manning asked that Dr. Cavendish, Dr. Novoa (or anyone else) to draft a brief proposal for this option, with the intention of presenting the faculty with a slate of options to consider.
- VI. Fall Assembly-Dr. Karen Holbrook will be addressing the Fall Assembly regarding issues of infrastructure development and faculty support.
Dr. Manning received only 3 requests after the e-mail was sent out requesting questions for Dean Eisenberg to address at Fall Assembly. The e-mail will be sent again with a deadline prior to the Fall Assembly.
- VII. Writing Center funding/staffing proposal- Dr. Manning spoke with Dr. Hunt Hawkins regarding the proposal that was sent forward. Dr. Hawkins reported that this proposal was just for this year. Another, more sweeping and substantial proposal is being put together for future years. He asked that Council wait for that proposal to be presented before soliciting faculty support for it.
- VIII. Tasking the Diversity Committee-due to lack on time this will be put on the next meeting agenda.
- IX. Old Business-no old business
- X. New Business-Room for the Fall Assembly was changed to ISA 1051 and our next meeting will be held December 2, 12: 30pm-1:45pm. Then we will head to over to the Assembly.
- XI. Meeting adjourned.