

**College of Arts and Sciences**  
**Faculty Council Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**September 15, 2017**

**Attendees:** Elizabeth Bell, Lee Braver, Eric Eisenberg, Cecil Greek, Nataša Jonoska, Jane Jorgenson, Sarah Kruse, Dana Pittman, Robert Potter, Kersuze Simeon-Jones, Sue Rhinehart, Steven Walczak

**Absent:** Pablo Brescia, Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Mark Goldman, Stephen Prince, Brian Space

- I. Meeting called to order by Dr. Eric Eisenberg
- II. Committee Members introduced themselves since this was the first meeting of the semester and New Members were present.
- III. Selection of Chair and Deputy Chair for CAS Faculty Council Committee: Committee members were asked to volunteer to serve or nominate someone else on the committee to serve as the New Chair or Deputy Chair for the committee. No one that was present wanted to become the Chair of the committee. The committee recommended that Dana Pittman email the four members that were not present to see if they were interested in serving as the Chair of the committee. If no one comes forward to serve from the four that were not at the meeting, we will ask again at the October meeting for volunteers to fill the Chair position. Kersuze Simeon-Jones volunteered to become the Deputy Chair of the committee and ran the rest of the meeting.
- IV. Review of Minutes: April Minutes were reviewed and approved.
- V. Standing Committee Nominations: Dana Pittman presented three undergrad student names for the Library committee (Meeting Agenda stated Computer Committee in error). The Library committee only needed one undergraduate student to complete their committee, the Faculty Council and Dean decided to have Sarah Elizabeth Toler/English Department to serve. The committee recommended that Dana Pittman send the other two undergrad students' names to Allison Cleveland-Roberts to see if she could use these students on her CAS Grievance committee.
- VI. Dean's Remarks:
  - Dr. Eisenberg talked about the USF President's Fall address. Some of the areas he touched on were The Path to Preeminence, the New Health Center in Downtown Tampa, the Research Strategic Plan and the metrics for an Invitation to the AAU. He gave out a handout pertaining to student success, scholarly

productivity and how it works with preeminence. There was discussion around the percentages needed in student success, graduation, CAS credit hours and productivity. There was also discussion about Morsani and MOSI when the Medical school moves downtown. Space is determining how the buildings will be used. CAS has let them know that we need more space – about the same amount as the ISA Building has.

- Dr. Eisenberg stated the University hopes to have a Phi Beta Kappa Chapter next year. They are working through the applications at this time.
- Dr. Eisenberg stated the college submitted 10 names to the President's Office for World Class Scholar recruitment. There was discussion about World Class Scholars vs Assistant Professors, also about our Instructors and how the faculty and college could better support them. Maybe give them the opportunity for dual track of teaching and research. Some departments already do this. Dr. Eisenberg stated that the Faculty Council could look into this and maybe present something on this in the future.
- Dr. Potter stated that the Faculty Senate is looking at the online Student Evaluation system and hoping to make it better.

#### VII. Old Business:

- CAS Governance Document: The subcommittee working on this document needs one new member (Chris Osovitz rolled off the Faculty Council/Spring 2017). Cecil Greek volunteered and the committee voted for him to join the subcommittee. Dr. Bell gave a short update on some of the changes being made in the document and needs to have a meeting with the subcommittee (K. Stephen Prince, Cecil Greek and Natasha Jonoska) before they complete the document and present it to the Faculty Council. The finalized document will be sent to Dana Pittman to send out electronically to the CAS Faculty for a vote once the Faculty Council has approved it. Once approved by Faculty, the committee will move on to the next step to get the Document finalized.
- Tuition Consortium for USF: Check with Allison Cleveland-Roberts on what is the next step in approval to join.
- Computer Committee Name and Charge Change: This change from Computer Committee to Technology Committee and the change in the Charge will be placed in the revised CAS Governance Document.
- Diversity Proposal: Waiting for the Diversity Committee to update the proposal they sent the CAS Faculty Council in Spring 2017.

#### VIII. New Business:

- Dr. Steven Walczak introduced a proposal for modifying the Employee Tuition Program (ETP). Steven had a handout that showed what the program was now and showed what he proposed. Steven had already spoken to the Registrar's Office, Admission Office and someone in the Medical area about the

roadblocks/problem areas. After some discussion on this issue, Dr. Eisenberg suggested the committee to work on the proposal before full council consideration.

IX. Meeting Adjourned