

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
March 05, 2015

Members Present: Elizabeth Faue, Avis Vidal, Michael Belzer, Ed Golenberg, Krista Brumley, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Anne Duggan, Jennifer Wareham, Caroline Morgan, Geoffrey Nathan, Yifan Zhang, Barry Lyons, Mark Ferguson, Claudio Verani, Lisa Maruca

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Christine Chow, Peter Hoffmann, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Stephen Spurr, Daniel Isaksen, Tracy Neumann, Marc Kruman, Ralph Braid

Absent With Notice: John Klein, Danielle McGuire

The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

The minutes of the February 05, 2015 meeting were approved as amended.

Mention was made of the upcoming CLAS elections and the need for nominees.

The proposed new MA in Public History was approved.

After much discussion, the proposal for a new BA in Mathematical Economics was rejected as submitted. Avis Vidal made a motion that the Faculty Council provisionally approve an amended proposal, with changes to be sent to the Curriculum Committee. The motion passed.

There was a discussion of the role of Faculty Council as the college creates a new Strategic Plan and reviews the college-specific General Education requirements. Dean Raskind, who was in attendance virtually, said that he wants the committee looking into the College General Education requirements to submit a rough draft of its report in time for the April Faculty Council and Chairs meetings. He wants the Strategic Plan committee to submit its ideas in time for presentation to Faculty Council and Chairs and to the Faculty Assembly in May. Any actual implementation, he said, will take some time, until the university concludes its strategic planning process.

Charles Parrish expressed concern about the lack of experience of the committee looking at the college General Education requirements. Raskind asked that the work of the committee not be pre-judged. Parrish also emphasized that these are not subcommittees of Faculty Council, but rather the dean's committees.

Robert Korhman, the AVP for Budget, Planning, and Analysis, gave a presentation on the university's budget shortfall and the upcoming cuts to the colleges.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30.