COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES—FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2019

Members Present: Larry Lombard, Avis Vidal, Bradley Smith, John Klein, Victor Figueroa, Yuson Jung, Fatih Celiker, Michael Belzer, Zachary Brewster, Lara Jones, Leisa Kauffmann, Aaron Retish, Lisa Maruca, Lisa Ze Winters

Attending: Stephanie Hartwell, Claudio Verani, Ratna Naik, Ken Jackson, Heather Dillaway, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, David Njus, Tom Fischer, Corinne Forys, Jennifer Sheridan Moss, David Merolla

Absent with Notice: Thomas Killion, Charles Parrish, John Santalucia, Karen Marrero

The meeting was called to order at 9:00.

The minutes of the December 06, 2018 meeting were approved.

Jennifer Sheridan Moss discussed the proposed changes to the Classics program, which were approved.

Tom Fischer and David Njus discussed the proposed major in Neuroscience. Fischer said that 500 majors are anticipated in the first year or two, pulling mainly from Biology, Psychology, and the various pre-health science areas. The proposal was approved.

Heather Dillaway presented a proposal to amend the CLAS minor requirement. Under the proposal, effective Fall 2019, a student’s minor must have at least three unique courses that do not overlap with the student’s major or other minors. Lara Jones, who serves on the Curriculum Committee, said that the committee chose unique courses over unique credit hours because credits hours can vary. The proposal was approved.

Stephanie Hartwell provided updates from the Dean’s Office, noting that the college’s first learning community was launching this term; that she and Ratna Naik were looking at teaching loads; and that Ken Jackson had worked to improve the college’s assessment numbers.

Avis Vidal asked about meetings of the college’s Budget Advisory Committee, meetings that Hartwell said would be happening in the coming weeks. Hartwell also noted that, with the change to an RCM budget model upcoming, she’d be revitalizing budget meetings with the chairs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45.