

FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 2023

Members present: Larry Lombard, Smiti Gupta, Jeff Grynawski, Leisa Kauffmann, Eric Kessell, Yuson Jung, Andrew Newman, Eric Ash, Pramod Khosla, Robert Harr, John Klein, Hien Nguyen, Alina Cherry, Ed Golenberg, Zach Brewster, Fernando Charro, Ty Partridge.

Attending: Claudio Verani, Lori Pile, Stephanie Hartwell, Jennifer Wareham, Caroline Brzuchowski, Vanessa DeGifis, Yuson Jung, Tracy Neumann, Andrea Matti, Leonidas Pittos.

Absent with notice: Christopher Trentacosta.

Approval of January 12 meeting minutes – voted and approved.

Approval of items from the curriculum committee:

- Anthropology Ph.D. – voted and approved
- M.A. in Public History – voted and approved
- German M.A., romance languages M.A., Near Eastern languages M.A. – voted and approved (they received conditional approval pending small revisions to the bulletin language)
- B.A. in World Languages, Literatures and Cultures – voted and approved

Cannabis Chemistry Certificate – lots of discussion and it was recommended to go to General Counsel for review and recommendation (State of Michigan vs. Federal laws were mentioned).

Election 2023 – spring elections are here, about 25 positions are needed for college committees (Academic Senate, Faculty Council, P&T Committee, Merit/Salary Committee, Budget Advisory Committee and Graduate Council).

Dean's updates

CLAS enrollment for winter '23 down about 8%, about 1000 students in comparison from last year.

A calling campaign was done to students as they are not registering for the next term (winter), many responses are taking a mental health break and campus doesn't seem exciting.

Matters arising

Placement exams for mathematics have been in-person and proctored in past years. Now, these math placement exams are online, and there have been cheating problems. It has been asked that the dean's office

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bring this issue to the attention of the provost's office. Professor Khosla will bring this issue to the academic senate.

What can CLAS/WSU do with AP credits – can we create a statement. Professor Khosla mentioned that the academic senate will address this matter at their next meeting.