FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2022


Attending: Stephanie Hartwell, Heather Dillaway, Claudio Verani, Ken Jackson, Caroline Brzuchowski, Krysta Ryzewski, Peter Hoffmann, Ed Cackett, Eric Hiddleston, Sean Stidd

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

The minutes of the January 13, 2022 meeting were approved.

Curriculum Committee

Anthropology BA program change – Voted and approved
Astronomy BA program change – Voted and approved
Astronomy BS new program proposal – Voted and approved
Religious Studies minor change – Voted and approved

Dean’s Report

A new MOU was completed with the Detroit Boxing Gym and has paid internships. The dean has funds for internships and field trips, with a focus on museums in the midtown area in walking distance. A list of the CLAS/MOU’s were sent to the department chairs.

The selection salary monies are available for equity adjustments, the dean will be reviewing these requests.

Humanities Commons – currently looking for a location for students to gather.
Budget Advisory Committee – were sent the slides for their review and input (input needed regarding recruitment) for the college’s budget committee with university administration.

The dean emphasized that the college needs to increase master’s programs and certificates to increase credit hours.

John Klein discussed and presented a table regarding credit hours and overall enrollments, also wanting to track tenure lines in the college, overall enrollment is down in the university. Steffi mentioned that the OIRA dashboards are available for all to utilize.

Eric Kessell asked for suggestions regarding the university’s mandates on daily screeners and wearing masks in the classrooms. It was suggested that students use the buddy system for screeners (have students check each other’s screeners), emphasize it is for us to keep healthy...
and help others. It was suggested that the university should be able to have a report for faculty to see which students should not be on campus attending classes if they are reporting that they are sick.

Pathway to Faculty Programs are underway and the dean is reviewing them and doing letters of support. The provost’s office announced that the cluster hires are for next AY.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.