FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 1, 2021


Attending:  Stephanie Hartwell, Claudio Verani, Heather Dillaway, Ken Jackson, Caroline Brzuchowski, Vanessa DeGifis, Simone Chess

Absent without Notice:  Ed Golenberg, Jeff Grynaviski

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 9:05 am

The minutes of the March 4, 2021 meeting were approved.

Curriculum Matters:
- Program change proposal: Arabic minor – voted and approved
- New Program proposal: Queer Studies minor – voted and approved

Nominations for the General Education Oversight Committees were reviewed and approved by the council and submitted to the provost’s office.

CLAS Innovations, Creativity and Excellence (ICE) in Teaching Fund – this is a one-time award to support faculty that continue to transform their modes of teaching, maximum award is $5,000, application deadline is 5/28/2021 and decision announced 6/28/2021. The review committee for these proposals will include someone from the council or suggestions from the council, dean’s office and OTL.

Dean’s Report:

Enrollments in higher education projected to be problematic and downward until 2037 nationally, because of the birthrate. In regards to CLAS enrollment data, check out the OIRA website and review the dashboards.

Scholarships will be marketed better so they are appropriated in a more efficient manner.

Mandatory testing and vaccines are being distributed on campus.
Continuing strategic partnerships in the Detroit community at large to now include MOCAD for internships.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 am