

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences—Faculty Council Meeting
October 01, 2015

Members Present: Claudio Verani, John Klein, Ed Golenberg, Larry Lombard, Jennifer Wareham, Lisa Maruca, Tausha Beardsley, Lara Jones, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Charles Parrish, Yifan Zhang, Kevin Cotter

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Peter Hoffmann, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Robert Aguirre, Donald Haase, Heather Dillaway

Absent With Notice: Zachary Brewster, David Merolla, Geoffrey Nathan, Barry Lyons, Elizabeth Faue, Avis Vidal

The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

The minutes of the September 03, 2015 meeting were approved.

Robert Aguirre spoke of the progress being made with student retention and graduation. The university's six-year graduation rate has risen to 35%, up from 28% a few years ago, and the four-year graduation rate has risen to 18%, up from a recent 10%.

Heather Dillaway thanked those who'd attended the recent Graduate Open House, saying that about half of CLAS departments were represented and 250 people attended.

Donald Haase noted that the college looked to have nineteen cases of promotion and/or tenure this year. He said that with the forty-three hires done in the college in 2011, the number of promotion and tenure cases would go up in the near future. Haase also made the annual request for nominees to Article XXX committees.

Peter Hoffmann discussed iBIO, which prompted a long discussion on what, exactly, it is; who is leading it; where the money for it is coming from; where the tenure of the faculty hired into it will reside; and a host of other questions.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30.