

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES—FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 5, 2017

Members Present: Lisa Maruca, Charles Parrish, Aaron Retish, Lara Jones, Avis Vidal, Larry Lombard, Victor Figueroa, Kevin Cotter, Leisa Kauffmann, Michael Belzer, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Kevin Zhou

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Claudio Verani, Heather Dillaway, Ratna Naik, Robert Aguirre, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Anne Duggan

Absent With Notice: Tausha Beardsley, Lisa Ze-Winters, Zachary Brewster, John Santalucia, Bradley Smith, Scott Bowen

The meeting was called to order at 9:02.

The minutes of the September 07, 2017 meeting were approved.

Lisa Maruca sought nominees for the CLAS Elections committee. The slate of nominees—Shooshan Danagoulian, renee hoogland, Kevin Deegan-Krause, and Jeffrey Grynaviski—was approved.

Charles Parrish spoke of academic staff who wish to serve on the Dean's Search and College Review committees. Currently, N=4 on these committees, with the four slots corresponding in practice to the four divisions in the college. In order for academic staff, who don't necessarily fit into such divisions, to be represented, council passed a motion to ask the provost to make N=5, so that academic staff would have a slot. Lisa Maruca agreed to approach the provost with this request.

Wayne Raskind spoke of the university's preparations to move to an RCM budget model in the next few years.

Anne Duggan, Victor Figueroa, and Leisa Kauffmann spoke of the proposed changes to the Spanish program, which were approved.

Heather Dillaway led a discussion of a proposed streamlining of the curriculum review process, which was approved.

Robert Aguirre provided council with the numbers in CLAS majors, drawing particular attention to the number of students in Pre-Nursing (which is not a major). Kevin Cotter asked if there should be a requirement that Pre-Nursing students declare a major by 30 credits. A quick strawpoll showed strong support for such an idea.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30.