

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES—FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Members Present: Lisa Maruca, Lara Jones, Avis Vidal, Larry Lombard, Victor Figueroa, Kevin Cotter, Leisa Kauffmann, Michael Belzer, Kevin Zhou, Tausha Beardsley, Zachary Brewster, John Santalucia, Bradley Smith, Scott Bowen

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

Absent With Notice: Charles Parrish, Aaron Retish, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Lisa Ze-Winters

The meeting was called to order at 9:00.

The minutes of the October 05, 2017 meeting were approved. Wayne Raskind introduced the subject of a new concept for CLAS group requirements, noting the twenty percent decline in enrollment over the last five years. He asked Robert Aguirre to lead the discussion. Aguirre then outlined the case for a requirement that all CLAS students fulfill a minor plus one semester of a foreign language. There was much discussion, most of it revolving around the language requirement. There was a motion to refer the matter to the Curriculum Committee, with the committee forwarding a proposal to Faculty Council before the next council meeting.

David Merolla spoke of the proposed changes to the graduate and undergraduate Sociology curricula, both of which were approved.

Anne Duggan spoke of the proposed changes to three language curricula—one each in Classics, French, and German—all of which were approved. She also spoke of the creation of a new minor in Fairy Tales and Folklore, which was approved.

Lisa Maruca invited faculty to attend a meeting on November 17th with the consultant running the search for a new CLAS dean.

Ratna Naik asked for more nominees for Article XXX committees.

Caroline Brzuchowski noted that the next Faculty Assembly will take place on Monday, December 11th.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25.