

## Minutes

### Faculty Assembly, School of Liberal Arts

2:00-4:00 p.m., Friday March 7, 2014 LE 105

Faculty Members Present: Anton, M.; Ardemagni, E.; Bao, W.-N.; Barrows, R.; Bell, D.; Bertrand, D.; Blomquist, W.; Buchenot, A.; Carlin, P.; Carstensen, T.; Champion-Shaw, C.; Cohen, M.; Connor, U.; Craig, D.; Davis, T.; Eller, J.; Ene, S.; Engels, E.; Friesen, A.; Gibau, G.; Gondola, D.; Grossmann, C.; Haas, A.; Harrell, S.; Jettpace, L.; Kahn, S.; Kostroun, D.; Latham, K.; Little, M.; Lovejoy, K.; Lulla, V.; Miller, L.; Parrish-Sprowl, J.; Pike, L.; Polites, M.; Rebein, R.; Reyes, C.; Robertson, N.; Rose, M.; Rossing, J.; Russell, S.; Saak, E.; Sandwina, R.; Schneider, W.; Sheeler, K.; Shepherd, S.; Thuesen, P.; Tilley, J.; Upton, T.; Van Wyke, B.; Vicente, A.; Weeden, S.; Wheeler, R.; White, R.; White-Mills, K.; Wittberg, P.; Wokeck, M.; Zimmerman, L.

Guests: Goldfarb, N.; Illg, M.; Smith, C.

1. Meeting was called by Faculty Assembly President Enrica J. Ardemagni at 2:01 p.m.
2. The Minutes of the FA meeting of January 24, 2014 were approved by acclamation
3. President Ardemagni's General Remarks:
  - President Ardemagni reminded the FA that the slate of candidates for FA offices offered by the nominating committee will be ready in the near future for voting and to please be sure to vote;
  - chairs of committees should check on the status of their committee's members to ensure proper positions are filled;
  - shortly after elections, requests for committee service will be distributed; please be sure to request membership in desired committee(s)
4. Dean's remarks
  - Dean Blomquist announced that the School of Journalism is joining SLA, with degree programs, both undergraduate and graduate in Journalism and Public Relations organizationally, though not necessarily physically, becoming part of SLA as of July 1 (fiscal year);
  - Point of Information: IUPU Columbus has been evolving gradually whereby IUPU Columbus is becoming more like its own campus, with Vice Chancellor and Dean, own FA and Senate, and own Promotion and Tenure; this will affect our campus as IUPU Columbus has been part of IUPUI; the implications, though, for us are relatively small.

## 5. Old business:

- Faculty Affairs: Policy on Clinical Faculty Appointments (documents posted): Proposal (as posted) passed unanimously;
- Dean Upton announced Faculty Awards nominations due March 24;
- Teaching and Advising Committee: Proposal for changes to student evaluation form for Online Classes (posted); Dean Upton and Scott Weeden clarified that the change is to add the word 'online' for sake of clarity; proposal passed unanimously.

## 6. New business:

- IFC Report (Craig and Kostroun):

1. January and February meetings were cancelled because of snow;

2. At the March meeting, Chancellor Bantz announced that new furniture is coming, and CA was specifically mentioned—furniture older than students;

3. Human Resources called attention to two new tools: a. benefits page retirement ready calculator; and b. transparency tool related to health care. Since at IUPUI we self-insure, the more we save, the more money there is for compensation; faculty are encouraged to make use of these tools to determine best options for themselves;

Links: Retirement Readiness Calculator: <https://iurr.nyhart.com/>

and for information on the program: <http://www.iu.edu/~uhrs/benefits/rrs/index.html>

Transparency tool for health care costs: <http://www.iu.edu/~uhrs/benefits/castlight.html>

4. Schools are asked to develop own faculty workload policy;

5. IFC supports dual credit programs;

6. Nominees for IFC posted; Marianne Wocke has been nominated for IFC President

- Nominating Committee: Amanda Friesen presented the slate of candidates for SLA committees (posted) and asked for nominations from floor:

Elee Wood was nominated for AC;

Xin Zhang was nominated for Enhancement committee;

Kenzie Letham was nominated for Nominating committee;

John Tilley was nominated for PT;

Send any other nominations or recommendations to Amanda; slate goes live in two weeks.

➤ Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards Committee (Paul)

1. Proposal for Minor in Native American and Indigenous Studies: Committee considers it a sound proposal and recommends approval; so moved. Discussion followed. Vote was then taken. Proposal passed unanimously.

2. Department of English proposed changes to minor to be more rationalized and welcoming. Proposal passed unanimously.

➤ SLA Honors Program (Tom Davis)

Associate Dean Tom Davis announced changes in Honors College policy to allow SLA students to have opportunity to be in honors program, including continuing and transferring students. New policy and the development of an SLA honors program will take affect rather quickly, to be approved by the FA in April;

## 7. Teaching Innovations

Special guest Jonathan Rossing (Communication Studies) presented his innovations in feedback and assessment (presentation PowerPoint slides posted)

8. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 3: 50 p.m.

Minutes Faithfully Submitted March 24, 2014

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