**A&S Council Meeting Notes**

**Monday, May 10, 2021**

**3:30 pm** [**Virtual**](https://drake-edu.zoom.us/j/88938443277)

In Attendance: McCrickerd, Crowell, Wolfe, Newman, Williams, Huizar, McCarthy, Huey, Yuen, Luttrell, McCoy, Kaplan, Klinge

**Call to Order**

**Approval of Minutes**

March 15, *see attachment*

Approved unanimously

**Vice Chair Election**

* Problem; must be a tenured member; neither of the tenured Council members can’t serve as Vice-Chair. How do we proceed?
  + Discussion: look at those who were in the last election and ask the next person who is tenured to serve as chair.
  + Will need to work on this next year to make sure it doesn’t happen again.

**Approval of Minutes**

* April 19, *see attachment*

Approved unanimously

**Council Chair Report**

* None

**Report from Dean**

* Case statements are due to the Provost on the 15th of this month, working on getting a convincing case for most of the lines
* Admissions finished strong!
* All-Faculty meeting was on April 30th and Honors Convocation on April 29th
* Working on facilities, new offices, student lounges
* Classrooms are being updated over the summer
* Don’t have a budget for next year, travel and development grant is still pending
* Meredith will be closed from May 2022 to December 2022, need to find office space on campus. No access, heavily impacted by the work

**Report from Student Rep: Abbie Whittemore**

* New rep; first-year BCMB

**Curriculum Committee Recommendations**

* **New Courses**
  + CHEM 011
  + MUS 141- J-Term course
  + PHIL 116
  + Approved unanimously

**Design & Tech Minor**

* Discussion; is there a major already? Yes
  + The proposal is very limited, should have more information about demand
  + Tabled

**Theatre GPA Standards**

* Who needs to approve this?
* Discussion: questions about how to proceed
* Tabled

**HR Concentration Changes**

* Discussion**:** Why are there “or” choices in the electives rather than having them both be electives. The two courses are sufficiently overlapping that both would count.
* Approved unanimously

**Other Business: Requirement for Vaccinations for the fall**

* Open discussion about if we should require vaccinations.
  + Can’t require it if they are emergency approved? Seems to not be an issue across the country. Pfizer is looking to get full FDA approval.
  + Governor Reynolds is in the process of approving a law stating that requiring it will mean that they can’t get financial aid.
  + Looked at much more optional than other vaccinations.

**Other Business: Student course feedback**

* Looking at the core questions to make them concise and not as much overlap. Work will continue next year. On the committee right now; Ellie, Mary, Emily, and Vira are reviewing copies of current evaluations used by departments.

**Adjournment**