## Arts & Sciences Council Meeting Minutes Monday, December 12, 2016, 3:30 p.m. Drake Room, Olmsted

Members Present: Tran, Christensen, Urness, Kalmanson, Freeman-Miller, McAlister, Harvey, Lenz,

Brown, Cravero

Recorder: Kayla Jenkins

- 1. Call to order and approval of minutes
  - a. Minutes approved unanimously
- 2. Report from the Dean
  - a. Searches are underway
    - i. Rhetoric filled, psychology offer out, politics and neuroscience out by the end of the week
    - ii. Three more will finish up in the Spring
    - iii. At least one unrepresented member in each search
  - b. VoteSmart-political research group will move to Drake in February in the former ROTC building
    - i. Will provide nearly 60 internships per semester across different disciplines
    - ii. To center Drake in political arena
  - c. Town Hall for budget on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Target enrollment is 850-near where Drake normally is
      - 1. Have to have this enrollment to maintain the budget
      - 2. Working more hands-on to get this enrollment
  - d. Social on Thursday after the Budget meeting
- 3. Report from Student Senator- no student senators present
- 4. Report from Faculty Senate-no Faculty senators present
- 5. Reports from Committees
  - a. Tech Committee is meeting this week
  - b. Diversity Committee Goals
    - i. Pilot Mentoring Program-tracking, implementing
    - ii. Implications of the sanctuary resolution
    - iii. Help with new associate provost search
    - iv. Two new student members
- 6. New Business
  - a. IR Major-Program Change: Mary McCarthy
    - Been discussing adjusting the program since 2007 since there are new faculty, wanting to align it to student expectations and goals
    - ii. Changes will go into effect in Fall 2017. Could see shift in enrollment in eliminated courses by Fall 2018.

- iii. Economics is a core bases, but can be taught in house rather than through CBPA
- iv. Discussion
  - 1. Is the business school concerned: no, already having a hard time getting IR students into the ECON classes
- v. Approved unanimously
- b. LAS correction-including 1 credit capstone.
  - i. Approved unanimously
- c. Curriculum Committee proposals
  - i. Course Proposals for approval:

Previously Approved Travel Seminar: ENSP 111, POLS 135, THEA 102

- ii. All courses approved unanimously
- iii. Will be changing the form for previously approved travel seminar to include itinerary or syllabus.

## 7. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, February 20 at 3:30 p.m.