# Arts & Sciences Council Meeting Minutes Monday, March 20, 2017, 3:30 p.m. Drake Room, Olmsted

Members Present: Christensen, Harvey, Brown, Tran-Johnson, Urness, Courard-Hauri, Kliethermes,

Haedicke, Kalmanson, Freeman-Miller, Cravero, McAlister, Tran, Valdovinos

Recorder: Kayla Jenkins

- 1. Call to order and approval of minutes
  - a. Minutes approved unanimously
- 2. Report from the Dean
  - a. College Reads Program Proposal
    - i. Money allocated for 50 copies of the book-faculty will be contacted soon
    - ii. All tenure-track, current and incoming, will get a copy
  - b. Online Graduate Programs
    - i. Looking to increase by 300 students in 3-5 years online
    - ii. 4 programs have been identified as candidates
      - 1. Compliance and Risk Management from Law School (hybrid going active this fall)
      - 2. Masters in Communication Leadership from SJMC
      - 3. Masters in Science in Education
      - 4. Data Analytics Leadership (will be in Fall 2018 or Spring 2019 at earliest)
  - c. Accomplishment Rate: 93% response rate, 99% at university level, 98.9% at college level
  - d. Searches: two are ongoing-theatre and music
  - e. Admissions-is good in comparison to previous years
  - f. DUCURS and A&S Convocation are April 13<sup>th</sup>
- 3. Report from Student Senator-Ben Morrett
  - a. Elections are currently ongoing
  - b. Have mostly been dealing with a few issues on campus
- 4. Report from Faculty Senate
  - a. Parking-Scott Law
    - i. Proposal that seems most likely is a tiered program
    - ii. Both students and faculty will pay the same price, but different lots will have different prices.
    - iii. Looking at an increase to over \$300 over the course of a few years
    - Senate had some discussion about what is a peer institution and if parking should be free or not
  - b. Ad-hoc committee for Compensation
    - i. Reported a list of suggested proposals
      - Included looking at gender/race equality

- 2. Admin Staff who teach-making it equal to adjunct pay
- 3. Looking at adjunct pay verses other institutions
- 4. Difference between semester pays (summer versus j-term versus normal semesters)
- 5. Conducting a workload audit
- ii. Faculty Senate created a standing committee to look into everything further

## 5. Reports from Committees

- a. Tech Committee: ITS Townhall is March 23<sup>rd</sup> before the social
- b. Diversity Committee:
  - i. Did not meet over break, but read research
  - ii. Will be meeting with the author of the research at the end of the month
  - iii. Goals for this term:
    - 1. Pilot Mentoring Program planning for next year
    - 2. Meeting with Erin Lain by the end of the semester
    - 3. Art Sanders about topics to discuss with faculty in the fall
    - 4. Michelle Laughlin about helping with disability accommodations
    - 5. Keith Summerville about helping with recruiting
    - 6. International Students and how can we help with the current political climate

#### 6. Curriculum Committee Recommendations

- a. New Course Proposals
  - i. ART 177 approved at cap 15
  - ii. MUS 171L, NSCI 126, PHIL/REL 148 approved unanimously
- b. Course Change Proposals
  - i. Math 17 change approved

## 7. New Business

- a. Council Vice Chair election update
  - Handbook changes approved on May 9, 2016 were not approved by faculty per the handbook
  - ii. Faculty-wide elections were inconclusive with not enough votes
  - iii. New members will join Council on April 17<sup>th</sup> to choose a vice chair then this will go to faculty for wider vote

### 8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, April 17 at 3:30 p.m.