

Arts & Sciences Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 21, 2016, 3:30 p.m.

Drake Room, Olmsted

Members Present: Tran, Christensen, Urness, Courard-Hauri, Kalmanson, Tran-Johnson, Freeman-Miller, McAlister, Kliethermes, Harvey, Lenz, Valdovinos, Cravero

Recorder: Kayla Jenkins

1. Call to order and approval of minutes
 - a. Minutes approved unanimously

2. Report from the Dean
 - a. New look to website will be introduced in January
 - i. Start with front pages, will eventually change department pages
 - b. Communications will be going through admissions materials-creating program information, similar to Data Analytics/Kinesiology
 - c. SJMC master's program is going online w/4 different tracks
 - d. FY18 budget prep is underway-how to move/save money-preparing for January BOT meeting

3. Report from Student Senator
 - a. Ben is working on A&S Facebook page-trying to get more students to join
 - b. Elizabeth is creating monthly music events in Pomerantz Stage

4. Report from Faculty Senate
 - a. Small change: added a student to the Drake Curriculum Committee
 - b. Big changes:
 - i. Sanctuary Campus-recommended that Drake declare itself a sanctuary campus to do everything we can to not disclose a student's immigration status
 1. Concerns about Federal Aid repercussions-shouldn't effect
 2. Symbolic effort or not-students understand can't do everything, but will try
 - ii. Curriculum Outcomes-updated diversity statements, will be proposing curriculum changes to match

5. New Business
 - a. WLC Concentration to Minor Proposal
 - i. "Option 3"
 1. Last week proposed 2 tracks to the WLC minors, changed 3rd option to better work with International Relation major
 2. Approved unanimously
 - ii. LASC and EASC
 1. Approved unanimously

- b. Curriculum Committee proposals
 - i. Course Proposals for approval:
 - 1. Course Change: BIO 099, BIO 110, BIO 110L, BIO 123L, ENSP 127
 - 2. New Travel Course: ENG 060, LPS 135
 - 3. Previously Approved Travel Seminar: ENSP 111, INTD/HONR-085, LEAD 110, SCSS 196/ENSP 150
 - ii. All courses approved unanimously
- c. Diversity Committee Mentoring Pilot Program Proposal
 - i. Urgency to put something into place or have an idea for it to create a sense of belonging
 - ii. Discussion
 - 1. To take place between departments, so they can ask questions that not comfortable asking department
 - 2. End of Semester event-combined with Provost event-have mentors introduce them to people
 - 3. January workshop-timeline is ambiguous
 - 4. Who designs the events-depends on what kind of funding is available
 - 5. Send invite to help w/workshop and keep track of program to assess it
 - iii. Approved unanimously
- d. Promotion and Tenure Revisions Discussion
 - i. Page limit: 20 pages seems very small, can it be increased
 - 1. Selectivity-not clear that not to describe everything for a class
 - 2. What was the basis for this?
 - ii. Operating Procedures
 - 1. Do not like #2 where people in a similar department can review for P&T
 - a. Have a 7th member of P&T for these situations
 - b. Creates an advantage/disadvantage
 - c. Have already reviewed them as the years progress
 - iii. Dean's Presence: to discuss if necessary
 - 1. Only college where their presence is required.
 - a. Valuable to hear every word spoken
 - b. Would it cause freer conversations if the Dean wasn't there?
 - 2. Needs university consistency
 - iv. Timeline: input now, December break make adjustments, early Spring-town hall meeting, then to Council for approval, then vote by faculty

6. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Monday, December 12th at 3:30pm