

March 14, 2018 Faculty Meeting Minutes – FINAL

Faculty Chair Steve Blakeslee opened the meeting at 3:12 p.m.

Review/Approve Faculty Meeting Minutes – the February 28, 2018 Faculty Meeting Minutes were approved as distributed.

Provost Updates – Jennifer Drake reviewed an announcement she'd made earlier by e-mail that George Freeman will be leaving the Deanery at the end of spring quarter upon his retirement, and thanked Lee Lyttle for joining the Deanery this summer. Jen then invited Tina Kuckkahn-Miller, who was recently promoted to Vice President for Indigenous Arts and Education, to say a few words about the opportunities that this new grant-funded capacity will provide.

Pathways/Paths of Study Q&A – Standing Committee on the Curriculum (SCC) Co-Chairs Krishna Chowdary and Elizabeth Williamson and Academic Dean Larry Geri gave a presentation that focused on the Committee's work to addressing current curriculum challenges. They provided an overview of the varied elements of their work, including review of relevant data, the process followed in 2016-2017, findings of the spring 2017 straw poll, accomplishments under the Mellon Grant, the SCC's plans for next steps, and issues yet to be resolved. The phase one paths of study proposals that will soon be marketed to students include: Visual Arts; Food and Agriculture; Integrated Computational, Mathematical, and Physical Science; Integrated Biology and Chemistry; Media Arts and Media Studies; Literary Arts; and Latinx/Latin American Studies and ELL Education. Several other paths of study are under development. A Q&A period followed.

Enrollment and Staffing for 2018-2019 Updates/Discussion – Jennifer Drake opened with updates and reminders on 2018-2019 projected enrollment, and associated curriculum and staffing plans, both for next year and for 2019-2020. A discussion followed.

Announcements

- Nancy Koppelman asked faculty to review an e-mail from Jen Drake regarding the College's Year Seven Accreditation Report and to contact her if they would like to be involved in reviewing early drafts.
- Therese Saliba announced a workshop that is being planned for Week 2 of spring quarter with a focus on maintaining faculty wellness when working with students with mental illness.
- Therese Saliba announced an event to honor Rachel Corrie.
- Andi Seabert announced that there is one space left in a transformative justice workshop being offered next week.
- George Freeman announced a performance by students in Marla Elliott and Tom Rainey's program.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.