

Faculty Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2012

SEM II D1105, 1:00-3:00pm

Faculty chair Andrew Reece opened the faculty meeting at 1:20.

Announcements

- Evergreen student JJ Wampach asked faculty to consider signing up to provide the opportunity for a tobacco use survey, which takes about 20 minutes, to be administered to their students.
- Ellen Shortt Sanchez invited faculty to attend the CCBLA student recognition event on Monday, May 14th.
- Michael Zimmerman announced a new initiative to elicit more input by students for the following year's curriculum. Specifically, by the end of each fall quarter, the GSU is invited to propose four temporary faculty positions for the following academic year based on broad consultation with students across campus. To the extent possible given budgetary constraints, the deans will then authorize recruitment for a temporary faculty position to fill *one* of the recommended areas requested through this process.
- Dharshi Bopegedera invited everyone to the Science Carnival, which will occur on June 1st and 2nd.
- Therese Saliba announced the Occupy Symposium, which will continue with another event that includes several speakers, as well as a poet active in Occupy San Francisco movement this week.

April 11, 2012 Faculty Meeting Minutes Review/Approval – The minutes were approved as written.

Nominations for Faculty Positions to begin Fall, 2012

- 2012-2013 Faculty Chair – Jules Unsel, Richard Weiss, Grace Huerta, Brian Walter,
- Faculty Chair-elect for 2013-2014 – Andrew Buchman, Krishna Chowdary, Ruth Hayes,
- Agenda Committee Members – Suzanne Simons, Steven Hendricks, Sarah Huntington, Trevor Speller, Frances Rains, Cynthia Kennedy, Sarah Williams, Shaw Osha, Laura Citrin,
- Council of Faculty Representatives – Ulrike K., John Baldrige, Tom Womeldorff,
- Faculty Advisory Panel on the College Budget – Peter Dorman, Paul McMillen

Proposed Faculty Handbook Change – Allen Olson indicated that the Deans would like to bring forward a proposed change to the Faculty Handbook Section 2.300 Academic Deans' Work, Deans' Desk Assignments, and Deans' Groups. Discussion ensued related to governance groups, criteria for being considered for a deans' position, and a suggestion that the language, "generates an inadequate pool or" related to failing a dean's search be removed from section 2.301 – Academic Deans: Selection Process. The proposal will be brought to the next faculty meeting for additional discussion and a vote.

Hiring Priorities DTF – Amy Cook introduced the DTF members and described the process by which recommendations for hires in the short-term were derived, as well as the data that were considered. She indicated that there are 16 positions, in a ranked order, that are being recommended for 13-14 and 14-15 hires:

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| 1. Computer Science | 6. Spanish Language and Literature | 11. Psychology |
| 2. Comparative Religion | 7. Marine Science | 12. Climate Justice |
| 3. Energy, Physics & Sustainability | 8. Visual Arts 2D | 13. U.S. History |
| 4. Biology A&P | 9. Public Health | 14. Education |
| 5. Writing/Rhetoric | 10. Business/Entrepreneurship | 15. PSA/Food Systems |
| | | 16. Freshwater Biology/Ecology |

Amy went on to describe the second phase of the DTF's work, which is to review the existing practices and processes used to make recommendations for the future. Discussion ensued about the list above, as well as the nature of consultation during this process, and the next phase of the DTF's work to make recommendations about the long-term hiring priorities process.

Academic Essay Initiative -- Nancy Koppelman provided an update on planning in progress for next year, including an overview of Orientation Week planning, as well as a newly reached agreement between the UFE and Administration that will allow more programs to participate.

Student Essay Contest Winner Presentations – Kathleen Eamon thanked the review panel for their work and then introduced the three essay winners, who then presented their writing: First Place: Nathan Schuur; Second Place: Leah Swearingen; Third Place: Farzana Musazay (read by Jim Neitzel)