

**MINUTES OF ARTS & SCIENCES FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2020 – 3:30PM-5:00PM
REMOTE ZOOM MEETING**

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Mary Towner called the meeting to order at 3:34pm

2. **Roll Call:**
ASFC Present: Towner (Integrative Biology), Quan (Geology), Schmitz (Stats), Fishbein (Plant Biology), Ellis (Language), Elshashed (Microbiology), Habiger (Stats), Haley (physics), Talbot-Clark (Music), Wright (Math), Pasternack (Philosophy), Grant (Psychology), Griswold (History), Uhlin (English), Vasquez (Chemistry), Barker (Theatre), Freeman (CDIS), Hanks (Geography), Skye (Media & Strat. Comm), Olofsson (Poli Sci)

ASFC Absent: Thomas (Comp Science), Reese (Art)

Administration Present: Dean Krutz, Tom Wilke, Rebecca Brienen, Kristen Baum

3. **Approval of the May 6, 2020 Minutes:**
Motion to approve by Uhlin, seconded by Elshashed and approved by Council

4. **Approval of the Agenda:**
Motion to approve by Schmitz, seconded by Freeman and approved by Council

5. **Reports on Status of Standing Committees**
 - a. College Policy and Planning
 - b. Curriculum, General Education and Extension
 - c. Rules and Procedures
 - d. Sabbatical Leave
 - e. Scholarship
 - f. Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion
Composition of these committees will be approved at our next meeting Sept 2nd.

6. **Appointment of Standing Committee Chairs**
 - a. College Policy and Planning –Talbot-Clark
 - b. Curriculum, General Education and Extension - Haley
 - c. Rules and Procedures - Wright
 - d. Scholarship - Vasquez

7. **Old Business**
CAS and ASFC Policy Relating to Career Track Faculty – Towner noted that the ASFC policy for career track faculty was discussed two years ago. Former ASFC Chair Loeffert made a policy, but the policy needed to be voted on by all faculty (not just the council). This vote has not happened, so the policy cannot be implemented. Dean Brienen noted she is working on recommendations for evaluating the guidelines for the Career Track faculty because OSU policy indicates that non tenure track faculty will be excluded from faculty council, graduate council, and any committees

involve RPT or promotion. Dean Brienen will be meeting with all TAPs and Clinical faculty to discuss the policy as well as the benefits of promotion in the fall. Towner suggested discussion of this policy be the first item of the agenda for the Fall 2020 meeting.

8. New Business

- i. Towner began the discussion in regards to the representation of non-tenure track faculty in ASFC. Vasquez asked about the role the FC played during the decision making process for in-person instruction for the Fall. More responsibilities are being felt by other faculty members in the department, lack of IT training/equipment. Towner noted that there needs to be a discussion on how faculty voices are shared or heard.
- ii. Update the ASFC website
- iii. Vasquez brought up some of the new challenges the faculty in her department Roll Call, mask mandates, A/V technicians, lack of support from the bookstore. Dean Wilke has been working on addressing these concerns. But, asked to continue to reach out to ITLE. The plan moving forward is to create a Google Document or a Canvas page where the faculty can add any questions or concerns that need to be addressed.

9. Dean's Report

- i. Dean Krutz walked FC through the decision making process that the Deans were tasked with, by the Provost, over the Spring and Summer in order to have in-person Fall instruction. Currently the Deans are meeting Wednesday and Friday every week. A couple of meetings back involved UHS and the PCHD in which they discussed the many variables of when to go 100% online. They are keeping track of rates and spreads. How often will UHS release COVID data? And what will be included in the report?
Dean Brienen noted all students living in dorms and international students were tested upon arrival. There are 21 students currently in OSU quarantine dorms. The request for data on a more frequent basis was discussed. Talbot-Clark noted that having this data would help the instructors determine the amount of risk involved with in-person instruction. Dean Krutz noted as of this meeting there are 44 positive cases on campus. UHS will test 2% of the student body every week random sample.
Quan brought up WFC and the link to the best practices for supervisors supporting OSU faculty, staff and student care givers document.
Dean Krutz encouraged ASFC to create a list of points and/or questions and work with campus wide FC.

10. Announcements

Women's Faculty Council's first meeting is August 31st at 2pm via Zoom.
Topic: Teaching online and accessibility issues.

11. Adjournment

Motion to approve by Freeman, seconded by, Vasquez and approved by Council 5:08 pm.