# MINUTES OF ARTS & SCIENCES FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING October 7, 2020 – 3:30PM-5:00PM REMOTE ZOOM MEETING

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Mary Towner called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm

#### 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), Olofsson (Poli Sci), Cooley (Media & Strat. Comm), Reese (Art),

ASFC Absent: Thomas (Comp Science)

Administration Present: Dean Krutz, Associate Dean Brienen, Associate Dean Wilke

### 3. Approval of the September 2, 2020 Minutes:

Motion to approve by Haley, seconded by Freeman and approved by Council

## 4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion to approve by Olofsson, seconded by Haley and approved by Council

# 5. Reports on Status of Standing Committees

a. College Policy and Planning

Talbot-Clark reported the committee has met and compiled a list of questions and recommendations for the NTT Faculty Policy Review. This document was introduced to the ASFC reviewed and discussed. Brienen offered answers and clarifications to these questions and recommendations.

Council voted to share the committee's document with questions and recommendations with CAS administrators. A vote on the revised NTT documents will be planned for the November meeting.

b. Curriculum, General Education and Extension

Haley nothing of note to report

c. Rules and Procedures

Wright has sent documents and working on setting a meeting.

- d. Sabbatical Leave
- e. Scholarship

Towner announced the jury for the Wise-Diggs-Berry

Uhlin will be the point person for this group

The Junior Faculty Award jury needs to be set up and the committee be approved by email at a later date Motion by Haley, second by Talbot -Clark Vasquez will take the lead on the G.E. Teaching Award

f. Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion

Quan nothing to report

#### 6. Unfinished Business

a. ASFC'S Statement of Immediate Concerns (Response)

Tabled

b. ASFC's Representation for Non-Tenure Track Faculty

This issue was discussed with the College Policy and Planning committee report as detailed above.

#### 7. New Business

- a. Suggested revisions to CAS document on Selection and Reappointment of Unit Administrators (Brienen). Proposed revisions allow the department to determine the faculty eligible to both serve on search committees and participate in voting. This eligibility should be stipulated in the unit's policies and procedures document. We approved a similar change several years ago, but it wasn't implemented. Even with our approval now, the change will need to be approved at higher levels. Then it will be up to departments to actually implement the change at the unit level. A motion to approve the revisions was made and seconded, and then passed.
- Faculty rights and protections related to graduate student appeals and Graduate College policy (Uhlin)
   Asking other ASFC members to email if anyone else has experienced any similar issues.
- A&D's, course modality decisions, and other longer-term concerns in the time of COVID (Brienen)
   A proposal to add COVID-19 documentation to A&D dossier's that may help address any negative impacts, or disruptions, in their performance areas

# 8. Dean's Report

- a. Waiting for Spring enrollment data to determine any further, or possible budget cuts possibly Mid-November at the earliest
- b. Could there be smaller departmental December "Graduation" events at the unit level during COVID-19? Some ideas for what different departments were planning were shared in the zoom chat.

#### 9. Announcements

Quan announced there are WFC videos available and the next event will be 11/2

#### 10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Towner, seconded by Haley, and approved by Council 5:01 pm.