



University Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Present: Courtney Sherman (Chair), Sherri Arendt, Holly Keener Mark Klemp, Jim Loebel, Ryan Martin, Kris Vespia, Abbie Wagaman, Julie Wondergem

Guests: Patricia Terry, SOFAS Steve Meyer, Jenell Holstead

1. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the October 31, 2018 meeting were approved.

2. Provost Search: Talk was centered on forming a search committee, seeking representation from the four colleges and the branch campuses.

3. National Council of Faculty Senates: Patricia Terry reported on her participation in launching a National Council of Faculty Senate. She traveled to Austin, Texas in October and met with other faculty members from 30-34 different universities from around the United States. They voted unanimously to become the founding members. Their purpose is to share what is happening at other universities around the country, to share best practices and to share resources and strategies. The group plans to meet again in Spring 2019.

4. Human Development and Psychology unit merger: Jenell Holstead, Chair of Human Development presented a proposal to merge psychology and human development. She reported that overtime the faculty expertise has shifted from Human Development to Psychology. The current faculty are concerned that the two programs are not unique enough to justify two majors. The plan is to create a Human Development emphasis in the Psychology major. The proposal was well received by the members of the UC.

5. Liaison reports:

Strategic Budgeting (K. Vespia): No updates

Committee on Workload and Compensation (J. Loebel): HR will hold fora early next week, before the next Faculty Senate meeting.



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Student Government (A. Wagaman): Abbie shared, that 2 new student justices were elected. The student Court is now full. The students are starting to look at constitutional review. They are also planning on having an open forum with public safety concerning bow hunting on campus.

Chancellor's Council on Inclusive Excellence (C. Sherman): Courtney will meet with E. Arneson and will invite him to attend a future UC meeting.

6. Senate Agenda (Steve Meyer, SOFAS): Steve Meyer helped set the agenda for the 11/14/18 Faculty Senate Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Wondergem

APPROVED Nov 28, 2018.