CHSS College Faculty Council Meeting

SEPT. 16, 2016

11:00 am, Dean’s Conference Room

Attending:

Chuck Aust (SOCM),

Terry Carter (DWMA),

Steve Collins (PSIA),

Dean Robin Dorff (CHSS),

Neysa Figueroa (FL),

Beth Giddens (ENGL),

LeeAnn Lands (HIST-PHIL),

Brandon Lundy (GEOG-ANTH),

Sarasij Majumder (ISD),

Corinne McNamara (PSYC), substituting for Dorothy Marsil,

Ken White (SCJ).

**MINUTES**

1. Minutes from the AUG. 23, 2016 meeting were approved, with minor changes.
2. Dean Dorff: CHSS update, initiatives, developments, policies, misc.

Presidential search. Executive session at B.O.R. this week. We hope to know more after that. They might make a decision regarding the search.

CFC members expressed gratitude for AAUP letter sent to the chair of the USG board that stated its concerns about the need to follow shared governance processes in conducting the search and selecting the next KSU president.

1. Bylaws

Ron Matson alerted Dean Dorff that he spotted content that might be problematic re: squaring how some processes are described at the college level versus the Academic Affairs level. For example, section 2.B.a.iv.

The dean also expressed a concern about how voting results get interpreted or what the vote represents. Semantic differences exist that might end up having the bylaws wording be viewed differently at the provost level versus the CHSS level. It seems like it is different wording preferred at the college level in comparison to the wording used at the level of Academic Affairs.

The upshot of all this is that there will likely be a slowdown in the process of the college’s attempts to finalize and have a vote on the bylaws document.

For now, Dean Dorff recommended that we hold off on trying to finalize the bylaws until these ambiguities get resolved. He said that he and Thierry Leger will confer with Ron Matson as soon as possible and try to get the bylaws approval process moving forward.

1. Draft equity letter

We looked at the draft of the letter protesting the inadequate equity adjustments for the 2016-17 academic year. Strengths and weaknesses of the letter were discussed. Revisions to address comments from committee members will be made to the letter and presented at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes by Chuck Aust and Beth Giddens