CHSS College Faculty Council Meeting

DEC. 6, 2016

11:00 am, Dean’s Conference Room

Attending:

Chuck Aust (SOCM),

Terry Carter (DWMA),

Dean Robin Dorff (CHSS),

Neysa Figueroa (FL),

Beth Giddens (ENGL),

LeeAnn Lands (HIST-PHIL),

Brandon Lundy (GEOG-ANTH),

Corinne McNamara (PSYC), substituting for Dorothy Marsil,

Ken White (SCJ).

**MINUTES**

1. Minutes from the NOV. 15, 2016 meeting were approved.
2. Dean Dorff: CHSS update, initiatives, developments, policies, misc.

An enrollment policy has been accepted which will go into effect in Fa18. Each college will work with Kim West to calculate the number of available seats that will determine the admissions target for that year.

Provost and Chief Budget Officer are freeing up funds for hiring in Fa17 to address bottlenecks.

School of Conflict Management formally exists and Joe Bock will now attend Chair meetings. His title will probably change, similar to Barbara Gainey in the School of Communication and Media. The School is in the process of deciding how it will populate different college committees. Individual faculty in the School will be allowed to decide where their tenure line resides.

The Academic Learning Center is on target to open in Fa19. As soon as it opens, University College will move into the new facility and their old building will be renovated as part of the CHSS.

1. New business: Election of CFC Chair for 2017

Departing Chair Beth Giddens addressed the group and encouraged those who were eligible to serve to do so. Ken White was nominated and elected by acclamation after a motion was made by Terry Carter and seconded by Corinne McNamara.

1. Old business: College-wide third-year review policy for lecturers

It was discussed that individual departments may decide whether to implement this level of review. The Dean’s Office does not want to interfere in the decisions.

There is not yet enough evidence to include pertaining language in the CHSS bylaws addressing these procedures. In the future language addressing the process will have to be included in the bylaws. More discussion needed.

1. Old business: Draft equity letter

The group discussed the role the CFC should adopt regarding the equity letter now that it has been sent. Some wanted to present the letter to the Faculty Senate, but it was stated that the CFC does not have a direct line to them nor does it know how open they would be to such an issue from an individual college.

The Dean suggested contacting other CFCs since in his conversations with other Deans he did not sense opposition to the use of a letter to address the equity issue. In addition, other colleges should be aware that we teach 64% of GenEd, 38-39% of all FTEs, and hold second place in number of majors across all colleges. Other colleges should rally behind the cause in order to maintain a high quality of education for their majors, since the CHSS has such an impact on most degrees.

Another item that needs to be stressed is that the impact of consolidation was unequal and affected the CHSS the most with respect to salary compression/equity.

More discussion needed. Ken White will send a poll to CFC members on their priority preferences before the next meeting in Jan 2017.

1. Tabled item: CFC bylaws revision

To be discussed early in 2017.

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A new draft will be circulated at some point that addresses late concerns expressed by Ron Matson.

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

Minutes by Neysa Figueroa