

College of Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes

October 18, 2013

Attendees: Elizabeth Bell, Michael Brannick, Allison Cleveland-Roberts, Eric Eisenberg, Vickie Gregory, Cheryl Hall, Lorene Hall-Jennings, Julie Harmon, Richard Manning, Stephen McNutt, Adriana Novoa, Dana Pittman, Philip Porter, Robert Potter, Christine Probes, Valerie Harwood

Absent: Chuck Connor, Kristina Schmidt, Nataša Jonoska

- I. Meeting called to order.
- II. Announcements: Dr. Novoa is sending to the faculty the documents distributed by the Deans at the CAS Council of Chairs meetings. She will also be meeting with Dr. Cleveland-Roberts in January to discuss improvements of the process to get new courses proposals approved.
- III. Review of Minutes: Minutes from September 2013 meeting were approved with no changes.
- IV. Fall Assembly: The date for the Fall Assembly has been set and a room has been reserved. The next step is to confirm a speaker for the assembly. It was agreed to invite Dr. Greg Teague.
- V. Deans' remarks: Dr. Eisenberg discussed the following topics:
 - Budget reduction plan strategy. Although there is no clarity on impending cuts, CAS has submitted a budget reduction plan. In addition, CAS has submitted Faculty hiring plans. With another meeting next week, Dean Eisenberg hopes to have more clarity soon.
 - Tenure and Promotion (T&P) – New T&P guidelines are being developed and presented to the Faculty Senate soon. Dr. Bell urged all interested parties to attend upcoming Town Hall meetings and/or send emails to Dr. Greg Teague for consideration.
 - University of Florida has implemented UF Online (UFO). This initiative intends to create entire programs online at a cost of tuition being 75% of traditional programs. USF's strategy is to target upper division and graduate programs online. Dr. Potter noted UFO will begin with freshman and will not accept transfers 0(t)9(o)5(c)-3i(n a)3j 0.

remedy these situations. In addition, a group could meet with the Faculty Senate about these concerns. Dr. Novoa will research who to contact to discuss concerns with the Faculty Council Members.

- VII. T&P draft: Dr. Novoa reviewed comments received regarding the T&P draft guidelines. Dr. Valerie Harwood, member of the T&P Guidelines Committee, answered questions pertaining to the draft revisions for the USF T&P Guidelines. After much discussion, Dr. Harwood encouraged faculty to send their concerns to the committee since the guidelines are still in the draft stage. The recommendations from the T&P guideline committee will go to the Faculty Senate in December 2013. Dissemination to USF Colleges/Departments/Units is expected in early Spring 2014. In late Spring 2014, the guidelines will be finalized and forwarded to the Faculty Senate. Lastly, the USF Board of Trustees will need to approve changes made to the T&P guidelines. Dr. Harwood noted that the guidelines might bec 0...008 Tw -2arS