The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Assembly

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Minutes
April 27, 2016


Absent: Elena Gavruseva, Brian Gollnick, Kyungmin Kim, Yasmine Ramadan, Richard Roller, Glenn Storey, Wenfang Tang, Rita Zajacz

Guests: Jennifer Bertrand, Chris Brochu, Anny Curtius, Helena Dettmer, Kathryn Hall, Bruce Harrell, Perry Howell, Palle Jorgensen, Kathy Lavezzo, Tom Arne Midtrød, Jacki Rand, Susan Chrysler White

1. The minutes from March 30, 2016, were approved.

2. President Bruce Harrell visited with Faculty Assembly and reviewed data regarding national rankings, faculty salaries, fiscal support for higher education in Iowa, and potential new revenue sources. He discussed proposed changes to the budget resource allocation model based on guiding principles recently agreed upon by the Deans and other fiscal leaders on campus. He also provided an update on new buildings, including the University of Iowa Museum of Art. President Harrell answered questions from the floor including the topics of Athletics funding and the upcoming UI Strategic Plan for 2016-2021.

3. Professor Russell Ganim, Interim DEO, Asian and Slavic Languages, & Literatures; and Director, Division of World Languages, Literatures, & Cultures, presented a proposal for an undergraduate minor in Korean Studies. The proposed minor is in response to the rapid growth of the Korean language program at the UI, and includes related coursework offered by other departments. Students in the minor will benefit from summer study abroad opportunities at two Korean universities. The proposal was approved.

4. Professor Russell Ganim, Interim DEO, Asian and Slavic Languages, & Literatures; and Director, Division of World Languages, Literatures, & Cultures, presented a proposal for an undergraduate minor in Russian and Eastern European Studies. Courses for the minor are well-established and taught in English, providing a Western perspective on Russian culture. The proposal was approved.

5. The meeting was adjourned.
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Professor Russell Ganim, Division of World Languages, Literatures, & Cultures, Chair of Faculty Assembly, reminded the Assembly of the purpose of the second meeting and then welcomed newly elected members of the Assembly. Terms run for three years and will be completed at the end of the spring 2019 semester. Departments also have updated their unit FA representatives (who are appointed or otherwise designated by the unit). These representatives also serve for three years whenever possible.

Elected Representatives to the Faculty Assembly (2016-2019)

Group I
Kathryn Lavezzo, English
Susan Chrysler White, Art & Art History

Group II
Anny Curtius, French & Italian
Tom Arne Midtrød, History

Group III
Palle Jorgensen, Mathematics
Ana Llopart, Biology

1. Professor Amy Poremba, Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences, member of the Faculty Assembly Nominating Committee, introduced FA officer nominees for 2016-2017: Professor Jacki Rand, Department of History, as candidate for secretary; and Professor Christopher Brochu, Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences as candidate for vice chair/chair elect. Nominations also were welcomed from the floor. Seeing none, the Chair called for a voice vote for each of the offices separately. Both candidates were elected.

2. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Professor Russell Ganim, Division of World Languages, Literatures & Cultures
Chair of the Faculty Assembly