

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Assembly

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Minutes
April 26, 2017

Present: Björn Anderson, Scott Baalrud, Jill Beckman, Mercedes Bern-Klug, Christopher Brochu, Kung-Sik Chan, Robert Cook, Anny Curtius, Rodica Curtu, Emilie Destruel-Johnson, Douglas Dion, Steve Duck, Brian Ekdale, Russell Ganim, Amanda Haes, Michael Hill, Benjamin Hunnicutt, Jiyeon Kang, Alan Kay, Surjit Khurana, Joni Kinsey, Andrew Kitchen, Kathryn Lavezzo, Ana Llopart, Tom Arne Midtrød, Yasemin Mohammad, Ann Marie Nest, Thomas Oates, Nathan Platte, Yasmine Ramadan, Jacki Rand, Ana Rodríguez-Rodríguez, Michael Sakamoto, Christine Shea, Steven Spangler, Glenn Storey, Kendra Strand, Carrie Swanson, James Tamerius, Kasturi Varadarajan, Ion Bogdan Vasi, Stephen Voyce, Frank Weirich, Marc Wold, Katherine Wolfe

Absent (Excused): Sabine Gölz, Ariana Ruiz, Stephen Warren

Absent: Shawn Goodman, Palle Jorgensen, Phillip Kaaret, Bob McMurray, Elizabeth Menninga, Richard Roller, Andrew Todd, Richard Turner, Susan White

Guests: Marc Armstrong, Jennifer Bertrand, Susan Birrell, Daniel Clay, Raúl Curto, Helena Dettmer, Meenakshi Gigi Durham, Landon Elkind, Andrew Forbes, Sarah Gardial, Christine Getz, Kathryn Hall, Alaina Hanson, Adam Jaschen, John Keller, Daniel Khalastchi, Brian Lai, Cornelia Lang, Brandon Myers, Diane Slusarski, Jill Smith, Anne Stapleton, Michelle Voss, Joshua Weiner, Sang-Seok Yoon

1. The minutes from March 29, 2017, were approved.
2. The Council of Deans ad hoc Committee on the University of Iowa's 2020 Academic Organizational Structure met with Faculty Assembly. Committee members include Dean Daniel Clay, College of Education; Dean Sarah Fisher Gardial, Tippie College of Business; Associate Provost for Graduate and Professional Education John Keller, Dean of the Graduate College; and Dean Alec Scranton, College of Engineering (not present). The committee discussed its charge to help the University of Iowa become a more forward-looking and nimble university that focuses its limited resources in support of academic excellence. They have met with several stakeholder groups on campus to listen and gather information, and will continue working through the summer and fall. The committee plans to submit its report to Interim Executive Vice President and Provost Susan Curry in January 2018. They responded to questions from the floor, including concerns regarding shared governance and the role of faculty input to the committee's decisions, and how institutional success is defined.
3. Associate Dean for Research & Infrastructure Marc Armstrong, chair of the ad hoc CLAS 20/20 Committee, discussed the Committee's focus on CLAS organizational structure and needs in light of the charge of Council of Deans ad hoc Committee on UI 2020 Academic Organizational Structure. The CLAS Committee is consulting with faculty and staff groups and met with the Council of Deans ad hoc Committee on April 10. They plan to provide an initial report to Dean Chaden Djalali by the end of the spring 2017 semester with more detailed evaluation occurring during summer and fall 2017.

4. Executive Associate Dean Raúl Curto presented [amendments](#) to the CLAS Instructional Track Faculty Policy suggested by faculty members for consideration by Faculty Assembly. After discussion, each amendment was voted on individually and each was approved.
5. Professor Brian Lai, Department of Political Science, presented a proposal for an undergraduate Certificate in Political Risk Analysis, previously approved by CLAS Undergraduate Educational Policy & Curriculum Committee. The certificate is in a growing field and will have broad appeal to both CLAS and Tippie College of Business majors. The proposal was approved.
6. Landon Elkind, President, UE Local 896/Campaign to Organize Graduate Students (COGS), provided a brief report on the status of negotiations between UE Local 896/COGS and the University of Iowa and Board of Regents, State of Iowa, in light of recent changes in Iowa law that impact collective bargaining.
7. The meeting was adjourned.

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Professor Ana Rodríguez-Rodríguez, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, 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 2020 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 (2017-2020)

Group I

David Puderbaugh, Music

Darrel Wanzer-Serrano, Communication Studies

Group II

Margaret Carrel, Geographical & Sustainability Sciences

Aniruddha Dutta, Gender, Women's & Sexuality Studies and Asian & Slavic Languages & Literatures

Group III

Tori Forbes, Chemistry

Michelle Voss, Psychological & Brain Sciences

1. Professor Stephen Voyce, Department of English, member of the Faculty Assembly Nominating Committee, introduced FA officer nominees for 2017-2018: Professor Rachel McLaren, Department of Communication Studies, as candidate for secretary; and Professor Stephen Warren Department of History 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 Jacki Rand, Department of History
Secretary of the Faculty Assembly