The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Assembly

Minutes
February 24, 2021


Absent (Excused): Kajsa Dalrymple, Natalie Fixmer-Oraiz, Ronald Rozencohn, Glenn Storey

Absent: Aron Aji, Eloy Barragán, Ben Hunnicutt, Robert Peck, Padmini Srinivasan, Stephen Warren

Guests: Jennifer Bertrand, Lance Bolton, Zach Furst, Christine Getz, Adam Jaschen, Cornelia Lang, Sara Sanders, Shaun Vecera, Joshua Weiner

1. Steve Duck, DEO and Professor, Department of Rhetoric, and Chair of Faculty Assembly, announced that a second informational forum regarding the proposed general education Sustainability requirement will be held on March 5.

2. The minutes from January 27, 2021, were approved.

3. Lance Bolton, Senior IT Director, CLAS, and Zach Furst, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer, IT Security and Policy Office, discussed information technology security issues with Faculty Assembly, including the technology review process for software requests, the evolution of password policies, and computer administration using least-privilege architecture. They also responded to questions from the floor.

4. David Cunning, Professor and DEO, Department of Philosophy, and Shaun Vecera, Professor, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Co-chairs of the CLAS Strategic Planning Steering Committee, and Sara Sanders, Interim Dean, presented the final draft of the CLAS Strategic Plan. After discussion the plan was approved for submission to the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost.

5. Faculty Assembly members voiced concerns related to the peer teaching evaluation form for instructional track faculty included in the February 17, 2021, DEO mailing. The following motion was made, seconded and adopted: “Faculty Assembly urges the College to withdraw the use of the current Peer Teaching Evaluation Form in favor of a narrative.” The Chair will send the statement to the Dean’s office.

6. The meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin Hassman, Lecturer, Department of Rhetoric
Secretary of the Faculty Assembly