



College of Arts and Humanities Chair Council Meeting Wednesday, 3.10.2021 • 11am – 12:45pm • Zoom Meeting

Facilitator: Jenn Brandt

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Notes amended to specify difficulty testing on days presented to students, not students are unable to test on these days.

Ivonne to be noted as abstention vote for previous meeting minutes approval

Meeting minutes and agenda motion moved, seconded, and approved.

III. Primary Business

A. President Parham – 11:00 – 11:30 AM

- Facilities, Supporting Faculty upon return, our phased in return to campus over the coming months
- Currently goals include growing the academic footprint, ancillary building depending on donorship opportunities
- Third party partnerships discussions taking place to find funding for new buildings
- Navigating new power grid estimated cost is 37 million, working with Edison
- State revenue on the positive side, no layoffs, 565 million one-time dollars from Governor, DH trying to obtain deferred maintenance from some of the funds
- Status of the hotel (off the table)
- What plans to put in place for cleaning and repairs for LCH? Staffing? LCH is on the deferred maintenance depends on what funds if any we receive, late May or June for an answer
- Donna noted dust issues as a matter of urgency, send to Dr. Caron who will submit to Provost
- Request from Scott to have practice rooms cleaned regularly- Tim to send to Provost, Deb Wallace, and President Parham
- Online faculty and student learning, career development, strategic plan reflecting the university reimagined, model university in this nation, Anne's feed back welcome to the committee
- Doris noted the Dance studio has poor ventilation, theater needs cleaning as well
- Allocate funds to fix locker rooms
- Return will depend on mortality rate, hospitalization, vaccine availability, and infection rate
- Specific information about capacity, detailed information about what we can do about returning to campus to come at later date

B. Results from CAH P1 – P4 Course Schedule Survey

- P1 and P2 indicate face to face
- Clarification alternative instruction must come from Central Academics, Anneke cannot change courses without their permission
- WASC extension date? End of April for notification
- Statement as a College about staying online for fall, piloting courses batch approval
- Unanimous vote for alternative instruction for fall

C. CAH Faculty Search Requests

- All departments need to hire TT at some point
- Matters taken into consideration accreditation, growth in the major
- Dean Caron received the following proposals. COM, THE/DAN, LBR, MUS, ART, CHS, APP, ENG, MLG, IDS

D. HUM Minor/Lorna Fitzsimmons –12:00 – 12:15 PM

- New Humanities minors C3, coordinator integrative humanities minors, revisions of the proposals, coordinated with other programs across the College, housed within Humanities, asked for buy in from other departments

IV. Discussion Items

A. A&H Cultural/Gender Taxation Study

Laura is working on a study about the factors that affect progression to full professor. The study to include collete and

B. CAH Statement and Programming around Racial Equity and the Significance of the Arts and Humanities- Task Force names compiled, the group will meet during the Spring semester

C. Upcoming Town Hall: Budget

Khadija and Gwen working on this townhall beginning of April

D. ASI Faculty – Student Mixer

Still waiting for the rep, College to consider holding an event later to strengthen campus community involvement

E. COVID – RTP Updates

Dean Caron has received only one updated RTP guidelines, reminder to other departments to send along their updates.

F. School of Arts Update

No formal process to create a school, Senate working on that process

V. Adjournment Time Certain: 12:45

Future Discussion Items

Council Principles:

1. Start on time and end on time.
2. Council is a participatory decision-making body.
3. All voices are heard, including dissenting ones.
4. When possible, “updates” and “information sharing” should happen in other venues.
5. Council members share responsibility, with the Dean bearing final responsibility.

Next Meeting: March 24, 2021