

Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting Notes 2/2/16 Present: Michael Deschenes (chair), Joan Gavalier, Rex Kincaid, Sophia Serghi, Cathy Forestell, Greg Hancock, Kate Conley (Dean)

Welcome back Cathy!

1. Approved minutes from January 26, 2016, meeting.
2. Discussed Drafting of Charge for the Ad Hoc Committee on Undergraduate Research!
 - FAC suggested that attention be brought to the fact that it would be useful to know how much of the research we do as faculty is voluntary (overload) versus how much of it is credit bearing (part of faculty load)
 - FAC suggested that the Ad Hoc committee evaluates what recourses are required to sustain effective undergraduate research on campus.
 - Dean discussed that she has a report on visible and non-visible teaching to be shared with the Provost.
3. Discussed if there is need for a FAC member to coordinate with Bill Hutton on how to implement how the curriculum is worded in COLL 400.
4. Discussed FAC response to FAS resolution regarding RPT standards. Confirmed that the FAC statement - response (four recommendations) will be on the FAS meeting March 1, 2016 agenda.
5. Discussed T. Meyers note concerning inequity in leave assignments to new faculty. Decided to circulate more details on TM concern for further discussion.
6. Discussed Digital Humanities group report. Will reprise on 2/9/16 FAC Agenda
7. Discussed the campus culture of creating new programs and the long-term plan of sustainability and development of these programs.