

Minutes for FAC meeting, Tuesday, March 17 2020.

In attendance (via Zoom):

David Armstrong (Chair), Josh Burk, Kate Conley (Dean), Sarah Day, Bill Hutton (scribe), Elizabeth Radcliffe

1) Minutes of the March 3 meeting were unanimously approved.

2) Updates from Dean Conley

An expanded cabinet has been meeting to continue developing responses to the Covid-19 situation. The dean's office will be urging faculty to get in touch with students if they haven't already.

3) Issues heard from faculty

Regarding a request to consider improvements to policies on conducting joint searches, the committee agreed that the issue should be addressed in the fall.

The committee discussed issues and concerns raised by faculty regarding the Covid-19 response, including a joint letter from the faculty of American Studies. The FAC chair will respond to American Studies acknowledging their main concerns, many of which are already in the process of being addressed by the administration.

4) April 7 A&S Meeting

On the issue of whether the meeting should be held or not, the committee agreed that it should be conducted by videoconferencing. The chair will investigate any potential problems that will cause in respect to the faculty bylaws.