

Minutes of the Faculty Affairs Committee, September 28, 2020

Members present: David Armstrong, Josh Burk (co-chair), Sarah Day (co-chair), Maria Donoghue Velleca (Dean), Catherine Levesque, Jack Martin, Peter McHenry (scribe)

The meeting was held on Zoom videoconference and began at 5 p.m.

1) Approved minutes of the September 22, 2020 meeting

2) Updates from Maria

Maria is hearing concerns from pre-tenure faculty about their ability to do research in the current environment. They are requesting approval for university sponsored travel. That's not likely to happen soon, though.

Maria is hearing widespread concerns about burnout among faculty.

3) Reviewed draft A&S October meeting agenda

Discussed athletic program and motion anticipated from Suzanne Hagedorn.

Decided to circulate current version of the JAMOU policy unless the JAMOU committee sends an update.

4) Student Accessibility Services

Discussed ideas for helping SAS and faculty coordinate accommodations for exams. Covid response team and Registrar's Office could help find locations for exams. Dean of Students Office could provide staff to help with proctoring.

5) Adjourned at 6:06 p.m.