

Minutes for the Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting, held via Zoom, 2:00-3:15 PM on November 1, 2022

In attendance: Dean Maria Donoghue Velleca, Peter McHenry (chair), Catherine Levesque, J.C. Poutsma, Marc Sher, Elizabeth Barnes, Ayfer Karakaya-Stump (scribe)

1. Approved minutes from 10/24/22 meeting
2. Reviewed final preparations for the Nov.1st FAS meeting. Discussed concerns expressed by some NTE faculty about not being included in the vote for the ToR Faculty Framework due to a discrepancy between the Faculty Handbook and the established practices of A&S. It has been decided to go with the Faculty Handbook and do a single vote by the TTE faculty.
3. Updates from Maria:
 - a. Discussed the dean's departure and the upcoming announcement of the interim dean.
 - b. Information provided about the Enrollment Mapping Working Group established by the president.
 - c. Information provided about our teaching needs, esp. that we are short on Coll300s.
4. Question asked and answered about the timing of the search for a new registrar
5. Revisited the issue of the creation of a separate academic unit in CDS, and some concerns were raised/repeated.
6. Discussed what to do with the CDS questions put together for the provost to answer in writing which she said she would rather answer in person. It has been decided that the questions will be shared with the rest the of the faculty, while efforts to call a separate FAS meeting with the provost will continue.
7. Discussed Jeremy Martin's proposed standing invitation to talk about Vision 2026 at FAS meetings. Concerns raised about the frequency and nature of the proposed meetings. Decided to suggest a college-wide meeting instead where faculty would also have a chance to ask questions.
8. Discussion of the Sustainable COLL Working Group recommendations postponed due to lack of time.
9. The meeting adjourned at 3:16 PM.