

Faculty Council Meeting August 29th, Pugh 210

Meeting starts at 12:55

Present: Jon Martin (geology ex-officio, Assembly's chair), (Anthony Gonzalez, ex officio, Finance committee) , Peek, Charles W, IV (Socio. Crim & Law) ; Hozic, Aida A (Poly Sci) , Nina Caputo (History), Rosenberg, Leah Reade (English), DeLeon, Valerie Burke (Antrop.) , Antes, Theresa (LLC) , Valeria D. Kleiman (Chemistry), Betty Smocovitis (Bio.), Clarence C. Gravlee ( Anthrop.)

Not present : Cheng, Hai Ping, Forte, Alessandro, Lord, Gillian

Jon Martin opens the meeting and requests candidates for the Chair position. A description of the position is provided and the past chair (Kleiman) and 3 candidates are nominated

Antes, T (Martin, Kleiman)

Kleiman ( Antes, Caputo)

Caputo (Peek, Smocovitis)

After some conversations with the candidates (Kleiman steps down) a vote ensues and Theresa Antes is elected Chair of the Faculty Council for the 2016-2017 year.

The council discussed pending issues from last year and new issues to be considered.

1) Full implementation and follow up of the Chair/Director's evaluation instrument that was produced last year.

2) A conversation on Interdisciplinarity

There is also a conversation on how to improve faculty assembly participation.

Information concerning Chair's evaluations, from last year's final meeting: "Council recommends that the name of the person being evaluated be added to the header on the opening page and that an email introducing and explaining the instrument go out to the faculty in advance of the survey and the dean present it to the faculty at the chairs' retreat. The council also decided that the evaluation survey be distributed in early November and that it remain open until Thanksgiving, with timely reminders in between. The Faculty Council or a Council subcommittee will solicit questions from the chairs in September, present them to the CLAS administrator overseeing the evaluations, and then assure that the results of the evaluation be distributed to the dean and to the chairs. A memo on this will be generated in Fall, 2016 and kept on record for future Faculty Councils. " Since the Chairs retreat already happened, Theresa will ask Dean Richardson to bring it to the attention of the chairs/Directors at the next meeting.

VDK will provide links to the survey to T.A.

A new schedule survey will be distributed to arrange the following meetings with maximum faculty attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm

Submitted by V. D. Kleiman