Faculty Council 21 February 2022

Present:

BS – Ben Smith

DC - Daniel Contreras

RB – Rori Bloom

AY – Alex York

SB – Stephanie Bogart

JP – John Palmer

TB – Tom Bianchi

DR - Dave Richardson

AW – Alex Wong

LS – Lea Schwartz

SH – Selman Hershfeld

MG – Molly Gardner

Update from MG on bylaws committee:

- Committee reviewed existing bylaws and came up w/ bylaw template and individualized recommendations/comments for each unit
- Four Principles:
 - Bylaws should provide clear principles
 - Don't need to repeat CBA
 - Should represent particular needs of unit
 - Should have regular review

SB on set of proposed regulation changes before BoT

- https://fora.aa.ufl.edu/docs/46/2021-2022/BOT%20Regs%20Feb%202022.Binder.pdf
- 81 pages of regulation changes; include something about program termination (p78) BS follows up on comparison w/ existing process: https://approval.ufl.edu/start-new-request/close-degree-program-ugradpro/
- Unclear just how this is different from the existing process/criteria

Update from DC on CD/AD survey subcommittee

- DR Dean considers CD/AD surveys in renewal process
- Who should respond to AD surveys? Directly administered CDs? All faculty, etc?
- ADs see digest of results
- Consensus seems to be that all should be able to respond, w/ some provision about characterizing their interaction so that survey results can be parsed

DR has no updates except to say that all T&P letters are now in (and overwhelmingly good)

BS solicits opinions on how to get CLAS input on ideas for the ad hoc committee on presidential search (zoom forum / survey / feedback through chairs and directors)

- Consensus is that a forum is at least symbolically important; BS will arrange and moderate

SH raises question of academic freedom and how FC should discuss campus climate; wonders how FC can be more proactive

SB notes that Fac Senate Welfare Council has been discussing this as well (particularly in light of bills currently before FL Legislature)

BS agrees that FC should/will consider this.