

CLAS Faculty Council Minutes, 12/06/22

Present: Brent Henderson, Stephanie Bogart, Dave Richardson, Molly Gardner, Carolyn Kelley, Debakanya Haldar, Alex York, Imre Bartos, Terje Ostebo, Marit Ostebo

1. Approval of minutes
2. Update from mentoring committee. The Fall workshops went well with a few lessons learned. e.g., better to put all non-TT faculty in one group since some found the small group experiences less helpful. Congrats to the committee.
3. Update from peer teaching eval committee. Committee has commented on current documents and editing doc; then will work on rubrics.
4. Discussion of Hamilton Center
 - a. Faculty concerns regarding governance and overlap with teaching mission. Also, it is moving very fast without much public information.
 - b. Funding is so far non-recurring.
 - c. Everything is going through the Provost's office. That's where the center is homed, that's where tenure lines are being created.
 - d. No CLAS departments are being pressured to house tenure for anyone.
 - e. Course approvals and cross-listings will go through the usual processes.
 - f. Question about governance when it comes to the Provost's office since they're sort of functioning like a college here, but they aren't one. They don't have a faculty council. Accountable to the Senate, of course. The Senate is putting together some things for the new administration on faculty governance and Brent asked that this be added to the list of questions/concerns.
5. Updates on non-TT faculty.
 - a. New title change to Instructional Professor unlikely to be approved by BoT as it will affect rankings. Question: how does this hurt recruitment and retention? Should we gather data on this?
 - b. College councils are being asked to offer feedback on new multi-year contract document.

Adjourn 3:40pm.