

# College Council Minutes

Friday, October 21, 2022

10:00 a.m.

## Members Present:

Adelaide Boston, Morgan Bueza, Neil Christensen, Anthony Crubaugh, Amy Dennison, Heather Dillaway, Alec Foster, Trish Gudeman, Lana Kuhle, Larissa Kennedy, Kimberly Nance, Dimitrios Nikolaou, Rocío Rivadeneyra, Ben Sadd, Jean Sawyer, Logan Sauers, Pete Smudde, Richard Sullivan, Laura Vogel

## Members Absent:

None

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

## Meeting Information:

- Approval of Minutes from 9/16/22
  - Change title: Interim Associate Dean Laura Vogel
  - Motion of approval by Dimitrios Nikolaou
  - Seconded by Ben Sadd
  - Approved

## New Business:

### 1. Election of Vice Chair - Student:

- Logan Sauers nominated Morgan Bueza
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kimberly Nance
- Approved unanimous

### 2. Dean Dillaway

- Thank you to Amy Dennison for her time with College Council.
- Strategic Plan Five Year Plan:
  - a. The new university strategic plan will be in place by the end of 2023
  - b. CAS and the University are both in the process of redoing their strategic plans.
  - c. CAS needs to put a temporary strategic plan in place this year, and then work on a more permanent plan next year, to parallel the new university plan.
  - d. The first step to work on the new college level strategic plan is to elect/appoint a Steering Committee. Hopefully some members of the Steering Committee can commit to two years of service (to work through both a temporary and more permanent planning process). The committee representation in 2016 was as follows:
    - From each division of the college: 1 Chair/Director, 2 Tenure Track Faculty, 1 Student (12)
    - One NTT, One Civil Service, One Administrative Professional (3)
    - Perhaps we add two people from College Council – one active member and the Chair of Council (2)
    - Two at large individuals and one graduate/undergraduate student selected by the Dean (3). Chairs/directors from each division would also be appointed by the Dean.
    - Community advisory board members will be added in the second year of strategic planning.
    - Concerns about minority representation. How to ensure diversity within the group? Dean's appointments could be made with diversity in mind if elected

members are not diverse enough.

- e. Ways to enlist committee members: emails go to faculty and staff, advisors email their students
  - f. Meetings will be monthly. Dean Dillaway would like to hold the first meeting before the end of the semester (December). She will start seeking nominations for elected committee positions, and will bring the list of nominees back to Council in November.
    - Motion to approve moving ahead with the Steering Committee by Pete Smudde
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion by Ben Sadd
    - Approved Unanimous
- CAS Outstanding Creative Activity Award
    - a. First step is to create a committee to organize award
    - b. We need information from Wonsook Kim College of Fine Arts about the award. The award should be aligned with theirs.
    - c. Winners will be college level winners. Guidelines similar to research awards.
    - d. This will be a spring award.
    - e. Question brought up, difference between a creative and research award? Artistic award that is backed by research.
    - f. Possible sub committee of council. Table until next meeting.
3. Report from Tony Crubaugh, Associate Dean for Budget, Personnel, and Planning:
    - CAS units will have 14 PIE (Provost Innovative Enhancements) grants funded: 7 from the college totaling \$42,000 and 7 from the Provost worth \$100,000. PIE grants support student success initiatives, recruitment and retention efforts, and academic program improvements.
    - CAS units received a total of \$170,000 in RERIP funds (Recruitment, Enrollment, Retention Incentive Program), which can be used for any academic expenses.
    - CAS units received a total of \$813,000 in Academic Enhancement Fee funds (AEF). Students pay the AEF in order to fund technology, equipment, and facilities projects that directly enhance student learning.
    - CAS recently completed a 3.5% merit raise process for faculty / staff whose contracts are not part of a union bargaining agreement.
    - CAS supported the academic year 2023-24 sabbatical requests of 32 tenure track faculty members. The proposals are now being reviewed by the Provost Office.
    - CAS completed biannual budget meetings with its 16 departments/schools and its 3 interdisciplinary programs
  4. Report from Rocío Rivadeneyra, Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Student Success:
    - Please continue to submit courses for consideration of the IDEAS graduation requirement: <https://curriculum.illinoisstate.edu/procedures/definitions/amali-ideas.php>
      - At this point only 9 courses have been approved for IDEAS designation with about 10 more in the pipeline for consideration
    - Winter Commencement will take place Saturday, December 17 at 9am in Redbird Arena. Traditional ceremonies are back.
    - Grades are due early this year because we started late. Grades will be due at noon on MONDAY, Dec. 19
    - The college will once again host an EDI retreat once grades are due. Details forthcoming.
  5. Report from Laura Vogel, Interim Associate Dean for Research, Facilities, & Technology:
    - Bylaws: New committee assignments were received today. Pending work- Department of English as well as Languages, Literatures and Cultures revisions to review

- RPRC: Met and forwarded our nominees for University level research awards. Three Outstanding College Researchers were selected and will be receiving their awards at the spring ceremony. CAS 3MT competition set for Friday Jan 20 at 3pm in MLT 208.
  - Humanities: Paul Ugor, *English*
  - Sciences and Mathematics: Ben Sadd, *Biological Sciences*
  - Social Sciences: Dan Lannin, *Psychology*
- Technology Advisory Committee: Met, discussed a number of issues including procedures and wait times for software purchasing; Canvas migration; Grammarly now available on limited basis for faculty, NTT and GA- first come first serve basis; MISO IT survey results; HPC on campus; computer lab usage and Watermark Faculty Success.

Motion to adjourn – Pete Smudde

Meeting adjourned at 10:54 am

Next Meeting – Friday, November 18th