

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
COUNCIL OF CHAIRS AGENDA  
Friday, January 16, 2015 10:00 a.m.  
STV132**

Presiding: Greg Simpson

Chairs/

Directors: Alison Bailey, Ann Beck, Tom Buller, Bruce Burningham, David Cleeton, Anthony Crubaugh, Chris DeSantis, Craig Gatto, Steve Hunt, Scott Jordan, Eric Peterson, Ali Riaz, George Seelinger, Jim Skibo, Maura Toro-Morn, Diane Zosky, Joe Blaney, Dagmar Persaud, Debbie Fox, Sally Parry, Gina Hunter, Mike Regilio, Laura Vogel

Minutes: Carrie Wieburg

Call to Order and Announcements:

Report from Dean Simpson

- The College is requesting nominations for the Academic Senate, URC and FRC.
- Congratulations to COM and CSD for winning first and second (respectively) in the CTLT Path to Excellence Awards
- Changes to the Tenure & Promotion College Application Form – A teaching portfolio will no longer be required.
- Discussion of the budget and budget process.

Report from Associate Dean Dagmar Persaud

- Please let Dagmar know if you have any problems accessing the online budget system.
- The College Office will not be contacting Chairs/Directors and Lead Staff regarding spring variance meetings until mid to late March. If you would like a meeting before then to go over any questions/issues, please call Carrie to set up.
- Faculty hirings and startups are underway.
- Dept/School Budgets due to CAS – Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Dept/School Budget Presentations in STV 401 from 8 am to 2 pm on Feb 6<sup>th</sup> (breakfast and lunch will be provided).

Report from Associate Dean Joe Blaney

- COINS has been decommissioned and replaced by Digital Measures. CAS IT is aware of issues within Digital Measures and is in the process of resolving them. In the meantime, please have your faculty upload a photo and review the profiles to be sure they are accurate.
- URG letters will go out February 9<sup>th</sup>.
- New Million Dollar Club members: John Baur, Rachel Bowden, and Matt Aldeman.

Report from Associate Dean Sally Parry

- Nominations for commencement speakers are due Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.
- edTPA update was given.
- Training advisors on the new system has started.

Report from Assistant Dean Debbie Fox

- March 24<sup>th</sup> – Spring College Lecture – Robert McLaughlin (ENG) at 7 pm in the Old Main Room
- April 18<sup>th</sup> – Hall of Fame Ceremony at 8:30 am in the Old Main Room
- TBD – Main Street College Event – Shawn Hitchcock (CHE)

Report from Chairs/Directors

- Lane Crothers (POL) has been named the Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in American Studies at the University of Helsinki, Finland for the 2015-16 academic year. The Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in American Studies position is a joint teaching and research appointment at the University of Helsinki, Department of World Cultures, North American Studies program. Lane will be teaching classes such as Globalization and American Popular Culture and US Politics and Culture After 9/11, while conducting research on globalization and American popular culture.
- Ali Riaz has published an article in *The Diplomatist*, on the India-Bangladesh relationship, particularly focusing on the Land Border Agreement. .
- Last month, the Illinois State University Mock Trial Team beat out twenty four other teams to place second at the Fourteenth Annual University of Iowa Invitational Mock Trial Tournament. Illinois State was one of three teams tied for first place. The team will be traveling to Stanford University later this month to participate in another invitational tournament. Teams who performed well in the prior year's invitational tournaments were invited to participate.
- Zach Koutsky, a 2006 graduate of the Department of Politics and Government, has been named Senior Advisor to the Treasurer. The new Treasurer, Michael W. Frerich, was inaugurated in Springfield on January 12. Koutsky was Frerich's campaign manager and deputy director to the treasurer's Transition Committee.
- The search for the Legal Studies (POL) position has begun. They have received about 30 applications. The committee will soon start the screening process. It is expected to be completed by mid-March.
- Liv Stone (SOA) will be presenting the Ethnographic Film Series this spring. Films are on Monday evenings at 6 pm in SCH 138.
- Viktor Kirik (BIO) and Wolfgang Stein (BIO) received the Research Initiative Award.
- Karen Coats (ENG) received the Outstanding University Researcher Award.
- Ms. Amy T. Christensen (CHE) (M.S. '14, Jones) has received the 2014 Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award for M.S. level teaching. Amy was introduced at the ISU Teaching and Learning Symposium held January 7<sup>th</sup> and will be honored at the Founders Day Convocation on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Amy is currently teaching several lab sections for CHE again this spring.
- The faculty search in Chemical Education is underway. They have several candidates coming to campus starting next week.
- Jeremy Driskell (CHE) received a \$179,340 award from the Department of Defense Threat Reduction Agency to support his work on investigation of Antibody-Antigen binding kinetics.

Approval of Minutes from 12/5/14

The meeting adjourned at 11:21 am.

