

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
COUNCIL OF CHAIRS MINUTES
Friday, March 20, 2015 10:00 a.m.
STV132**

Presiding: Greg Simpson

Chairs/

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

Minutes: Carrie Wieburg

Call to Order and Announcements:

Report from Dean Simpson

- Jessica Norris (Equal Opportunity, Ethics & Access), Donna Long (HR), and Brandy O'Grady (HR) – Handout and discussion of the Goal Attainment Report, CAS 2015 Underutilization Summary, Affirmative Action Facts and Myths and Equal Opportunity Taglines. For any questions or suggestions of process improvements contact Jessica Norris (jnorris@ilstu.edu).
- Discussion of CAS Strategic Plan and how to improve the process from last time. The college is preparing to put the committee together. This would consist of 3 Chairs, 6 faculty members, 3 students, 1 NTT, 1 CS, and 1 AP.
- The CAS Lead Staff and staff retreat will be held on July 22nd from 8:30 am to 2 pm at the Alumni Center room 116. The speaker will be Emilie Shoop from Shoop Training and Consulting. We would like as many to attend as possible.
- There will be an end of year party at the home of Greg and Mary Margaret Simpson on May 15th, time to be determined.

Report from Associate Dean Dagmar Persaud

- Please contact Carrie (cawiebu@ilstu.edu or 8-8082) to set up a variance meeting.
- CAS Tenure & Promotion Application Form – Everything has been moved to the online system and the teaching portfolio is no longer required.
- There will be two special sessions for those going up for Tenure & Promotion. The sessions will be on Wednesday, April 29 and Tuesday, May 5 at 3:30 in the CAS conference room. Please contact Dagmar with any questions.

Report from Associate Dean Joe Blaney

- Faculty Profiles Feed from Digital Measures – A decision should be made soon as to how to pull faculty profiles from DM. A vote was taken and it appeared the majority would like the text box option as it gives them more control over their profile. Joe and Mike will be sending more information out as it is available and training is always offered.
- There was a URC meeting at which it was decided to offer a University level award for creative expression.

Report from Associate Dean Sally Parry

- Jessica Smith (ENG) will be the May commencement speaker.
- A Leap Forward working group has been formed. The goal of the group is to articulate the information in the mainframe and determine how to get the needed information in the new system, along with giving permissions to the appropriate individuals.
- There have been issues with course offerings in the new system. Please be sure to check your course offerings and make sure they are correct prior to April 6th (registration opens).
- EdTPA Update – Retake policy was approved. If a student does not pass, there are three options: 1) Retake the test, either a one task retake or a full retake, depending on his/her score; 2) Switch to a non-teaching major in the same discipline; 3) Switch to the Major in Interdisciplinary Studies, Human and Educational Service Sequence. Departments can also consider whether they would like to create an additional sequence with an education emphasis, which basically means that they took the edTPA and did not pass, but that was the focus of their studies.

Report from Assistant Dean Debbie Fox

- March 24th – Spring College Lecture – Robert McLaughlin (ENG) at 7 pm in the Old Main Room
- April 7th – Dean’s Spring Address & Awards Ceremony, 3:30 pm, Old Main Room
- April 13th – Main Street College Event – Shawn Hitchcock (CHE) at 7 pm in the Alumni Center
- April 17th – Hall of Fame Welcome Reception – Alumni Center, 4:30 pm -5:45 pm
- April 18th – Hall of Fame Breakfast/Induction Ceremony at 8:30 am in the Old Main Room
- April 25th – Prelaw Awards Banquet at 6 pm in the Old Main Room

Report from Chairs/Directors

- Tiffany Puckett has been hired as an Assistant Professor in Legal Studies. Tiffany is currently working towards her PhD in Educational Policy Organization and Leadership from the University of Illinois. In 2000, she completed her Juris Doctor and Master’s Degree in Educational Policy from the University of Illinois. Tiffany began her legal career at the McLean County State’s Attorney’s Office as a prosecutor. Thereafter, she served as an assistant attorney general for the District of Columbia Public School System. Tiffany then worked in the Baltimore City Public Schools in the Office of Legal Counsel as Associate Counsel.
- L J Zigerell (POL) published two papers. In *Research and Politics*, paper titled, “Inferential selection bias in a study of racial bias: Revisiting 'Working twice as hard to get half as far'”. In the ABC-CLIO American Government database, paper titled "Promoting Sex Equality in the United States: Navigating Equal Treatment for Non-Identical Groups."
- The Department of Politics and Government will hold a panel discussion on the recent elections in Israel and the regional and global implications of its results. The panel will be held in the Prairie North Room of the Bone Student Center on Tuesday March 24, 2015 at noon. The panelists are Professors Lane Crothers of the Department of Politics and Government, Issam Nassar of the Department of History, and Emeritus Professor George Gordon.
- HIS - Jay Winter, a World War I historian and Yale University professor, will speak about the war and its global impact on Thursday, March 26th at 7 pm in the Prairie Room. *The Great War 100 Years after: A Transnational Approach* is the focus of Professor Winter’s talk. He was co-producer, co-writer and chief historian for the PBS series *The Great War and the Shaping of the 20th Century*, which won an Emmy Award, a Peabody Award and a Producers Guild of America Award for best television documentary.

- CHE has hired a new Chemistry Education faculty. Sarah Boesdorfer of Northern Iowa will be joining the department in the Fall.
- Emeritus Prof. Frank Shaw (CHE) was named the Local Section of the American Chemical Society 2015 Outreach Volunteer of the Year.
- CHE has a few faculty and students headed to Denver to present their work at The American Chemical Society Spring National Meeting.
- CHE will have a Fulbright visitor in April, Irma Sanchez-Lopez from Mexico. They hope to have her available for more than just her research seminar.
- Shawn Hitchcock (CHE) is speaking at Main Street College. He and Biological Sciences LS-AMP student Juandah Bruce, who works in his lab, were recently featured in a nice piece in Stories worth checking out.

Approval of Minutes from 2/13/15

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 am.