

Faculty Council Meeting
Friday, October 23, 2015
Approved, November 6, 2015

Members Present: Molly Harney, John Hamlin, Robert Lloyd, Jennifer Webb, Paula Gudmundson, Evan Brier, Steve Mathews, Bruce Peckham and Dalibour Froncek.

Meeting called to order: 12:11PM.

Approval of Minutes: Review of Minutes from October 2, 2015. Steve Mathews motioned, John Hamlin seconded. All were in favor. Minutes were approved.

Minutes from October 9, 2015 were tabled until November 6, 2015 meeting.

Review of minutes from October 16, 2015. Steve Matthews motioned, Jennifer Webb seconded. All were in favor. Minutes were approved as amended.

Committee Reports: No reports from the committees.

New Business-

UMD Voice-Dalibour Froncek is ready to launch the website. There was discussion that the faculty council should take ownership. There will need to be approval from UMD External Affairs-Lynne Williams. Discussion regarding how the posts will be moderated. Guidelines will be needed and questions arose as to what the mission will be of the UMD Voice. There was a motion set forth that a subcommittee should be established to work through these questions. There was a consensus that John Hatcher be invited to faculty council to discuss the UMD Voice. It was determined that this visit should wait until the subcommittee is formed and has made recommendations.

Old Business-

Academic Calendars- There was discussion to bring EVCAA Andrea Schokker suggestions. All suggestions should first be sent to Marc. It was discussed that there be a faculty survey for feedback on the calendar so it could be adjusted by looking at the concerns and other recommendations of the faculty. The faculty council discussed having a survey model ready in two weeks by reviewing the calendar to prepare it for a survey. Paula Gudmundson will be managing the voting software and John Hamlin will be assisting.

Liberal Education Program- Will need to be discussed before spring 2016. It is the plan of the faculty council to discuss at the December 11, 2015 meeting.

Governance Structure/Constitution- There was discussion regarding the need to make corrections to the campus constitution. Faculty council determined that it will read through the constitution/review over the holidays. Faculty council will be ready in early January to discuss possible revisions.

UMD Strengths- Tabled until January 15, 2016 meeting as the faculty council needs to review the constitution.

Other Business- There was a debriefing to those faculty council members who were absent from the October 16, 2015 meeting.

There was discussion about inviting to faculty council Chancellor Black, EVCAA Andrea Schokker along with the Head of the Department of Communication and Science Disorders, Mark Mizuko to hear grievances.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by

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