

Academic Senate Council Meeting
Monday August 31st IDW106 @ Noon

Minutes

Attending: Bercher, Boyle, Boysen, Compadre, Ferguson, Gaddy, Hendrickson, Miller, Neal-Rice, Rosenbaum, Smith-Olinde, Voth, Wei, Whited, Past-President Suva

Absent: Andrew James (new representative from the Graduate School), MacMillan-Crow, McCain, Renard

Meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m.

1. Approve of minutes from July 30th, 2015: Minutes were not distributed before meeting; undergoing revision and Council will vote on approval before they are posted to the website
2. Reports from Academic Senate Committees

Communications – Grover Miller

- Interprofessional Education
 - There has been some discussion of posting information about IPE on the faculty blog
 - Mari Davidson is working to integrate IPE with the graduate programs
 - Ferguson stated that Associate Dean Kevin Ryan has sent information regarding IPE implementation to the COPH faculty

Faculty Affairs – Cesar Compadre

- The document providing guidelines for minority recruitment is not yet ready but should be in 2-3 months; at that time the Faculty Affairs committee will review
- Website review has commenced; a list of documents included on the website is needed

Note: Ferguson stated that herself, Dan Voth and Howard Hendrickson have a meeting with the new president of the House of Delegates (HOD), Benjamin Jackson on 9-4-15. She will attend the next HOD monthly meeting. Benjamin Jackson has also expressed interest in a HOD representative attending Academic Senate Council meetings. The rest of the faculty agreed and an invite will be sent.

Research – Lee Ann McMillan-Crow (update by Alesia Ferguson)

- RSS Governance Selection—Ferguson reported that only a few of the researchers the Academic Senate Council submitted to serve on this committee were selected. An unofficial list has been developed of members invited. Ferguson and Macmillan will confirm what the final roster looks like
 - Hendrickson commented that instead of developing a completely centralized RSS group, pockets around campus in which grants actions work well should be emulated.
 - The first meeting of the RSS will occur on September 10th.

3. Old Business

- Improving Communication between Representative and Deans-Representatives – Bercher stated his Dean suggested using the “Great Colleges to Work For” survey conducted through the *Chronicle of Higher Education* as a way to benchmark UAMS with schools from across the nation. He stated he would send that survey link to Dr. Ferguson.
- Faculty Exit Survey-Laura Smith-Olinde – Quattlebaum stated that she would first share the exit survey with the Provost first for further suggestion and then share with the Academic Senate Council. Quattlebaum has an appointment with the Provost on 8/31/15, 4:15 pm.
- Interprofessional Education: See discussion above

4. New Business Items called to the Council’s attention

- Finding a New Representative at Large. Dr. Dana Gaddy is leaving UAMS
 - Discussion occurred about the role of an at-large representative
 - Drs. Suva and Gaddy have maintained a SurveyMonkey site for the Academic Senate’s use; there was general agreement that a site separate from UAMS should be maintained for the Senate, however, no firm plans to do so were developed.
 - Kathy Boyle volunteered to help with SurveyMonkey for the Senate.

5. Meeting was adjourned at 12:57 pm.