

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Assembly

Minutes
September 20, 2023

Present: Ahmed Souaiaia, Aixin Tan, Albert Erives, Alexei Tivanski, Andy Owens, Becca Clark, Becky Gonzalez, Ben Hassman, Bijaya Adhikari, Bruce Nottingham-Spencer, Charles Williams, Chris McMillan, Chris Veeh, Cynthia Chou, David Gooblar, David Hagan, David Weiss, Elena Gavrusseva, Elizabeth Kleiman, Elizabeth Walker, Elizabeth Yale, Eric Bush, Ionut Chifan, James Wo, Jennifer Rogers, Jim Duerlinger, Jorge Montilla Moreno, Kendra Strand, Lina-Maria Murillo, Mary Mayo, Melinda Myers, Naomi Greyser, Oguz Durumeric, Olga Sokratova, Paula Amad, Rachel Klevar, Ray Fagenbaum, Ron McMullen, Sang-Seok Yoon, Scott Shaw, Sonja Mayrhofer, Yuan Lu

Absent: Bengi Baran, Dorit Kliemann, Frank Weirich, Frederick Solt, Jane Nachtman, Jason Radley, Joy Hayes, Lori Branch, Rosemary Moore, Thalassa Raasch, William Menefield, Yasmine Ramadan

Guests: Alexandra Hval, Ana Rodriguez, Ben Hill, Christine Getz, Cornelia Lang, Erin Talbert, Kate Magsamen-Conrad, Lisa Gray, Johna Leddy, Josh Weiner, Julie Rothbardt, Rebecca Tritten, Roland Racevskis, Roxanna Curto, Sara Sanders, Steve Duck, Tom Koepfel

1. Minutes from April 26, 2023

Minutes from the April 26th meeting were approved.

2. State of the College

Dean Sara Sanders provided a presentation to the Faculty Assembly regarding the state of the college for the 2023-2024 academic year. Dean Sander's presentation included a budget overview, faculty hires, and the goals for the year.

3. Faculty Assembly Background and History

Faculty Assembly Secretary Elizabeth Kleiman provided a brief background and history regarding Faculty Assembly. The presentation reviewed the officers for the year, current composition, and the duties of the Faculty Assembly.

4. Updates from CLAS Executive Committee

As a member of CLAS Executive Committee, Associate Professor Ana Rodriguez-Rodriguez provided an update on the current work of the CLAS Executive Committee. These updates include working on the CLAS Manual of Policy and Procedure (MOPP) revision proposal and discussing the history of shared governance in the College.

5. Updates from CLAS Undergraduate Educational Policy Committee

Agenda item was deferred to a future meeting.

6. Writing for the Public Good

Associate Vice President for Research, OVPR, Professor, V.O. and Elizabeth Kahl Figge Chair in Catholic Studies attended Faculty Assembly and provided an overview about initiatives available through the Office of Vice President for Research. Opportunities include the Arts and Humanities Initiative, Dare of Discover banners, The Conversation, and other highlights for various workshops.

7. Business from the Floor

Members from the Faculty Assembly asked if the subcommittee on shared governance was still an active and if there was a report available from their work. Past President Ben Hassman said that the charge of this committee is complete and future requests can be directed to current Chair, Yasmine Ramadan.

Adjournment of the meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kleiman, Associate Professor of Instruction, Department of Computer Science
Secretary of the Faculty Assembly