

CLAS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Present: Mark Blumberg, Chris Cheatum, Monica Correia, Raúl Curto, Roxanna Curto, Armando Duarte, Christine Getz, Erin Irish, Rebekah Kowal, Brian Lai, Cornelia Lang, Teresa Mangum, Roland Racevskis, Ana Rodríguez-Rodríguez, Sara Sanders, Joshua Weiner

Absent: None

Guests: Kelly Kauffman, Becca Tritten

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the April 30 were unanimously approved as amended.

2. Faculty Assembly

Dean Sara Sanders provided Executive Committee (EC) with a historical overview of the staff support CLAS has provided for Faculty Assembly (FA). Going forward, she proposed that CLAS will continue to organize elections for FA, but will transfer administrative responsibilities such as setting agendas and taking and distributing minutes to the officers of FA. EC members approved this change. They suggested CLAS staff support FA by formally orienting new officers each fall. For example, staff could explain basic operations of CLAS: budget, committee structure, and special opportunities and challenges facing CLAS in the year ahead. EC members also hope FA might develop structures to create continuity and momentum from year to year.

3. 2023-2024 Debrief

Dean Sanders invited EC members to share feedback 1) on ways the committee can be work even more effectively next year and 2) on ways to onboard new members joining the committee. The group discussed many ideas, all of which were noted and will be taken into consideration. EC members also expressed their appreciation for the hard work of the deans and administrative staff, noting especially their commitment to bringing clarity to the budget and other complex operations of CLAS.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Mangum, Secretary

Note From Outgoing Secretary

Having been Secretary of EC for the past two years, please let me end my term with warmest appreciation for the Deans, my fellow EC members, my editorial companion Becca Tritten, and my CLAS colleagues. It has been a great honor and pleasure to work with and for you all. With heartfelt thanks, Teresa Mangum