College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Council Meeting January 09, 2014

Members Present: Yifan Zhang, Geoffrey Nathan, Avis Vidal, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Lisa Maruca, Mark Ferguson, Tom Killion, Anne Duggan, Pramod Khosla

Attending: Christy Chow, Peter Hoffmann, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Donald Haase, Wayne Raskind

Absent With Notice: Fred Pearson, Caroline Morgan, Danielle McGuire, Michael Belzer, Elizabeth Faue, Ed Golenberg, Jennifer Wareham, Krista Brumley

The two questions submitted to the dean in the days leading up to the meeting were discussed before the meeting's official start. (Due to the weather, many council members were absent or late.) The dean said that there is no policy on overload course assignments for academic staff and that such requests are handled on a case-by-case basis. In response to the other question, he said that there is no teaching load for faculty that is divisional. In general, those who do less research teach more; those who teach less do more research.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00.

The minutes of the November 07, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.

Charles Parrish provided background on how the varied teaching loads across the college came about and said that course loads should be pegged to disciplinary norms.

Anne Duggan lamented that service is not valued as highly as teaching and research.

Avis Vidal noted that, with Claudio Verani on sabbatical, John Klein will serve on the Curriculum Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30.