

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
April 03, 2014

Members Present: Krista Brumley, Geoffrey Nathan, Charles Parrish, Larry Lombard, Lisa Maruca, Tom Killion, Anne Duggan, Pramod Khosla, Jennifer Wareham, Caroline Morgan, Yifan Zhang, Elizabeth Faue, Fred Pearson, Danielle McGuire, Michael Belzer

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Robert Aguirre, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Christine Chow, Peter Hoffmann

Absent With Notice: Avis Vidal, Mark Ferguson, Ed Golenberg

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the March 06, 2014 meeting were approved.

Caroline Brzuchowski made another call for nominees for CLAS elections.

Wayne Raskind reported on the meeting of the Budget Advisory Committee and spoke of the overall budgetary situation. He said that the college should know the size of its cut by June and that he anticipated a reduction of between two and three percent. The more concerning budget cut, he said, may be for the following year (FY16).

What the college and university need more than anything, he said, is to shore up our declining enrollment. There followed a wide-ranging discussion of student recruitment strategies, with general agreement that everyone else needs to do more.

The changes to the PhD in Anthropology were approved.

Jennifer Wareham agreed to serve on the Technology Committee.

Krista Brumley inquired about the college policy on GTA assignments. Given the diversity of the college's departments, Wayne Raskind said, there is no single policy.

Geoff Nathan objected to the college policy regarding the purchase of tablets and iPads. At present, such purchases require a memo to the college Business Manager. Nathan said that tablets and iPads are replacing laptops and should not require special permission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00.