

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES—FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 11, 2018

Members Present: Lisa Maruca, Charles Parrish, Aaron Retish, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Lisa Ze-Winters, Lara Jones, Avis Vidal, Larry Lombard, Victor Figueroa, Kevin Cotter, Leisa Kauffmann, Michael Belzer, Zachary Brewster, John Santalucia, Bradley Smith, Kevin Zhou, Tausha Beardsley, Scott Bowen

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Claudio Verani, Heather Dillaway, Ratna Naik, Robert Aguirre, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, David Merolla, Regina Zibuck, Erin Bachert, Yuson Jung, Kazuhiko Shinki

The meeting was called to order at 9:05.

The minutes of the November 30, 2017 meeting were approved.

The changes to the minor in Anthropology were approved.

The new minor in Biochemistry and Chemical Biology was approved.

The new major in Statistics was approved.

The new major in Actuarial Mathematics was approved.

Avis Vidal requested that materials, such as those regarding programs changes, be distributed to council more than a day in advance of meetings. Lisa Maruca said this would be done.

David Merolla, who chairs the Curriculum Committee, re-introduced the committee's proposal to create new college group requirements. The proposal called for a required minor plus two foreign language courses. (At the November 30th meeting, this proposal was amended to increase the proposal's language requirement to three courses. That amendment was voted down.)

Larry Lombard moved to amend the proposal for a minor and replace it with a requirement that students take twelve credits at the 3000-level or above outside of their major area. After discussion, that amendment was voted down.

Zachary Brewster moved to have a vote on the original proposal. Aaron Retish asked if the college could urge the university to put minors on the diploma as well as the transcript. Avis Vidal asked about the language in the original proposal that would not allow current students to opt in to the new requirements. That language was stricken as a friendly amendment.



The proposal, effective Fall 2018, for CLAS group requirements to consist of a minor plus a two-course sequence in a foreign language passed on a 12-5-1 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20.