

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES—FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 12, 2017

Members Present: Charles Parrish, Ed Golenberg, Kevin Cotter, Avis Vidal, John Santalucia, John Klein, Larry Lombard, Barry Lyons, Claudio Verani, Lisa Maruca, Lara Jones, Zachary Brewster, Aaron Retish, Lisa Ze-Winters, Victor Figueroa

Attending: Heather Dillaway, Peter Hoffmann, Ratna Naik, Robert Aguirre, Caroline Brzuchowski, Paul Clemens, Lou Romano, Caroline Maun, Jeff Pruchnic, Jule Thomas

Absent With Notice: Tausha Beardsley, Kyu-Nahm Jun, Brad Smith

The meeting was called to order at 9:08.

The minutes of the December 01, 2016 meeting were approved.

Robert Aguirre spoke of CLAS enrollment's patterns and how what is happening at WSU mirrors trends nationally, with Engineering and Business up and Arts and Sciences down.

Aguirre also spoke of the upcoming launch of the Educational Advisory Board tools that will provide the college and university with more data about benchmark and predictive courses.

Caroline Maun spoke of the proposed changes to the foreign language requirement for both the MA (Plan B) and PhD in English. The proposal, which leaves the foreign language requirement to the discretion of the advisor, passed.

Claudio Verani noted that an Elections Committee is being established.

Jule Thomas spoke of the tutoring services available at the WRT Zone and Jeff Pruchnic spoke of the writing course being developed for graduate students.

On behalf of the Academic Senate, Lou Romano spoke of the new General Education proposal. There were many questions, from both Romano and members of council, about how the proposal would actually work.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35.