

## FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 5, 2021

Members Present: Victor Figueroa, Yuson Jung, Aaron Retish, Larry Lombard, Lisa Ze Winters, Edward Golenberg, Lori Pile, Christopher Trentacosta, Smiti Gupta, Leisa Kauffmann, Andrew Newman, Eric Ash, Pramod Khosla, Robert Harr, Hien Nguyen, Jeff Grynaviski

Attending: Stephanie Hartwell, Heather Dillaway, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Claudio Verani, Ken Jackson, Boris Baltes, Mark Kornbluh, Haiyong Liu, Alexander Gow

Absent with Notice: John Klein, Eric Kessell

The meeting was called to order at 10:35.

Provost Mark Kornbluh introduced himself to council and provided an overview of budget, revenue, student recruitment, and faculty hiring on campus, with particular attention to the planned 50-faculty cluster hire, which will be centered around African American issues.

The minutes of the September 02, 2021 meeting were approved.

Haiyong Liu presented the proposed graduate certificate in Linguistics, which was approved.

Alexander Gow of the School of Medicine spoke of the AGRADE proposal linking undergraduate CLAS STEM programs with the Master of Science program in the Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics. The proposal was approved.

Smiti Gupta presented the slate of faculty members for the CEEM review committee, which was approved.

Ken Jackson spoke of promotion and tenure processes and asked that specific questions be sent to him directly.

Claudio Verani noted that external research funding in the college was down slightly, with the majority of funding coming from NIH, NSF, DOE, corporations, and foundations.



Stephanie Hartwell spoke of the ongoing work of both the CLAS DEI committee and the college recruitment committee and noted the need for more in-person classes going forward.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00.