College of Liberal Arts and Sciences—Faculty Council Meeting  
November 12, 2015

Members Present: John Klein, Ed Golenberg, Larry Lombard, Jennifer Wareham, Lara Jones, Ashis Mukhopadhyay, Charles Parrish, Yifan Zhang, Kevin Cotter, Zachary Brewster, David Merolla, Barry Lyons

Attending: Wayne Raskind, Peter Hoffmann, Paul Clemens, Caroline Brzuchowski, Robert Aguirre, Donald Haase, Heather Dillaway, Emily Grekin, Sandra Yee, John Schiavone

Absent With Notice: Lisa Maruca, Tausha Beardsley, Claudio Verani, Geoffrey Nathan, Elizabeth Faue, Avis Vidal

The meeting was called to order at 9:00.

The minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting were approved.

Wayne Raskind spoke of the college’s strategic plan, still in draft form, and its relation to the university strategic plan. He noted that there would be a town hall meeting next week to discuss the college plan.

Input on parts of the draft plan was provided. Charles Parrish said that, in general, the plan is long on where we want to go and short on how we’re going to get there. He said that the key is mobilizing departments to work toward the college’s goals. The council will continue to review the plan at the December meeting.

Emily Grekin presented the Psychology Department’s proposal for a dual title PhD program in Psychology and Infant Mental Health. The proposal passed.

Heather Dillaway spoke of the Wayne JD program proposal that is being written.

Sandra Yee and John Schiavone provided an overview of the Higher Learning Commission’s upcoming accreditation of WSU. The commission’s visit to campus will be in March of 2017. In general, this accreditation will be more student-focused, with an emphasis on the transparency of degree plans and costs.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30.