

A&S Chairs and Directors' Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2018

Pere Marquette Gallery
Meeting started 3:05 p.m.

I. Announcements/Updates

- a. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 15, in Pere Marquette Gallery
- b. Dean's Forum with graduate students scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 24, in Pere Marquette Gallery.
- c. Chair Appointments/Reappointments
 - i. Reappointments
 1. Ric Colignon – Sociology/Anthropology
 2. Peter Martens – Theology
 3. Toby Benis – English
 4. Heidi Ardizzone – American Studies
 5. Laura Franklin – Fine and Performing Arts
 6. Scott Martin – Chemistry
 7. Jeff Gfeller – Psychology (1 year)
 - ii. Appointments
 1. Scott Ragland -- Philosophy
- d. UUCCC Update – Laura Franklin
 - i. Committee recommending name change to University Undergraduate Core Committee (UUCC)
 - ii. UUCC has met 3 times.
 - iii. Met yesterday with guest speaker, Jeff Selingo, at invitation of Doug Williams (Transforming SLU Initiative)
 - iv. Director of Core search has been announced to all SLU faculty/deans/associate deans.
 - v. UUCC By-Laws revision occurring.
 - vi. UUCC has just started looking at college/school feedback to proposed Core Student Learning Outcomes.
 - vii. Provost striving for Core SLO's revision and college/school ratification to be completed by Board of Trustees meeting on February 22/23.

II. Dean's Report

III. Deans' Updates

- a. **Jan Barber, Associate Dean for Graduate Affairs**
 - i. Currently 15 non-registered graduate students
 - ii. Some pending December graduate conferrals delayed due to lack of response from committees and/or departments.
 - iii. Graduate Roadmaps due February 27.

- b. **Gary Barker, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Affairs**
 - i. 4-year Roadmaps for majors due February 9.
 - ii. Asked for assistance in urging faculty to submit grades or Incompletes by semester grade due date.
 - iii. Depts. will receive due date for International Baccalaureate acceptance review. Madrid campus has provided data indicating we accept less than peer institutions. This may have recruitment/enrollment implications.
 - c. **Denise Sleet, Assistant Dean for Advising**
 - d. **Donna LaVoie, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Resources**
 - i. Assessment reporting due as previously announced.
- IV. **Department/Program Highlights**
- a. English – Toby Benis
 - i. Georgia Johnston bequest allowing for creation of:
 - 1. Graduate student summer research awards
 - 2. Georgia Johnston Professorship for mid-career faculty
 - ii. Host of Midwestern Victorian Studies Conference, April 20-22, 2018.
 - iii. Ong Memorial lecture (Spring 2018) included as part of Bicentennial activities.
 - iv. Ongoing graduate student/faculty research – e.g., Text Mining Project
 - b. Political Science – Ellen Carnaghan
 - i. \$4 million donation to John Dwyer Scholarship Fund
 - ii. 2 new faculty hired in 2017-18 with specialties in American Politics and Middle East
 - iii. Dept. #2 ranking within Missouri
 - iv. Fall 2017 hosting of many student events (often in conjunction with other student groups)
 - v. Student success evidenced thru variety of internships and graduate student publication
 - vi. Faculty publication (e.g., Steven Rogers publication in top Political Science journal)
 - vii. Des Less Professor – working in STL schools and in police leadership program.
 - c. Neuroscience – Judy Ogilvie
 - i. Ongoing “polling” of current students – e.g., 40% knew in high school they wanted to major in neuroscience. Thus, SLU may be getting students who would not have enrolled without Neuroscience Program.
 - ii. 27 of 40 responding Neuroscience graduates went directly to medical school (higher yield than is typical).
 - iii. The Neuroscience major was initially approved for 45 majors. Currently at approx. 220.
 - iv. Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary program – looking to expand interdisciplinary offerings.
 - v. Faculty/student research continuing despite McElwane fire.
 - d. Catholic Studies – David Meconi

- i. Housed in Cartier Hall.
 - ii. Growth from 4 to approx. 70 majors in last 4 years.
 - iii. Monday night mass/speaker event – avg. attendance of 100-150.
 - iv. Wednesday night adult education dinner/talks – avg. 40-50 paid attendees.
 - v. Students involved in tutoring at Loyola Academy, nursing home visits, and interaction with YWCA.
 - vi. Exploration of possible major.
- V. **Admissions 101 – Jean Gilman and Wendy Hamstra-Smith**
 - a. Admissions invited as part of Magis Operational Task Team Yield Initiative.
 - b. Provost has encouraged faculty participation in Presidential Scholar and MLK Scholar interviews, prospective student lunches, dept. letters to prospective students, etc.
 - c. Presented abbreviated Admissions 101 slide show (same presentation available for dept. meetings upon invitation).
 - d. Distributed 2018 Office of Admissions Events and Programs Calendars.
 - e. Demonstrated how to access application/enrollment data via Cognos Reports.
- VI. **SPS Recap – Dean Duncan**
 - a. SPS is restoring “SPS Student Only” attribute to all SPS courses.
 - b. Ongoing discussion regarding Winter/Summer terms.
 - c. SPS will be taking on greater responsibility in on-line education for all of SLU.
 - d. Further discussion will occur about “recalibration” of syllabi between SPS/CAS “shared” courses.
- VII. **Summer School Funding/Revenue Sharing Update – Dean Duncan**
 - a. Dean Duncan distributed 1/18/18 email outlining Summer 2018 offering particulars.
 - b. At present, CAS has \$250,000 to cover Summer 2018 course stipends.
 - c. Depts. will be asked to send proposed summer schedules for both on-ground and on-line courses...including a ranking of proposed offerings.
 - d. Tracy Chapman names Associate Provost in addition to Dean of SPS.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 pm

Submitted by Gary Barker, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Affairs