

Franklin College Faculty Senate
Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, 18 September 2018

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 267 of the Miller Learning Center, Chad Howe presiding.

Members Present: Yohannes Abate, Mary Bedell, Thomas Biggs, Brian Binder, Peter Brosius, Josh Bynum, Tom Cerbu, Katie Chapman, Brian Condie, Doug Crowe, Elizabeth Davis, Alison Farley, Lisa Fusillo, Chad Howe, Kristin Kundert, Ming-Jun Lai, Gary Lautenschlager, Vera Lee-Schoenfeld, Tianming Liu, Megan Lutz, Alisa Luxenberg, Kendall Marchman, Silvia Moreno, Emily Moulso, Chris Peterson, Chris Pizzino, Khaled Rasheed, Jennifer Rice, Cassia Roth, Rohan Sikri, Leslie Gordon Simons, Steve Soper, Michael Usher, Hang Yin, Qun Zhao

Proxies: Jeongyun Ahn for Jiyeon So

Guests: Olivia Adams (*The Red & Black*); Dr. Dale Monson (Music); Dr. David Saltz (Theater and Film Studies); Lee Shearer (*Athens Banner-Herald*)

Members not present: Suzanne Ellenberger, Jorge Escalante, DeLoris Hesse, Richard Hubbard, Betina Kaplan, and Joe Norman

Approval of the minutes of the August 21, 2018 meeting: Approved without corrections.

President Chad Howe's Remarks

- Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 16, 2018
- Please turn in your name cards at the end of each meeting; we now have name cards thanks to Sherry Gray

Dean Dorsey's Remarks

- Dean Dorsey opened with some good news, namely that the 2019 *US News & World Report* college rankings have been released. Once again, UGA has improved its standing, moving up three places among public universities (to #13) and up to #46 among all universities. Among the reasons for our improvements are the high rates of degree completion, with 85% of our undergraduate students completing their bachelors within 6 years and a low faculty/student ratio.
- Dean Dorsey also offered a promising outlook on our enrollment figures: enrollment has increased over the last three years. The Franklin College credit hours increased in spring 2018 compared to spring 2017, and we also had an increase in summer 2018 relative to summer 2017. A preliminary headcount for the current fall semester has indicated a 4.4% increase relative to fall 2017, marking the fourth consecutive year of increased enrollment.
- Dean Dorsey updated the Senate on the current status of promotion and tenure within the college: there are 45 dossiers under review, and all college-level committees have met; candidates will be informed by 27 Sept regarding the outcome of those reviews. There will be a separate dean's office review, the outcome of which will be released by early October. The process will continue through the university from there.

Question regarding promotion and tenure: Does the Dean have the power to overturn the college-level committee's review? That is, is the Dean's review separate from college review? No, it is a part of the process and flow in promotion and tenure, the Dean's assessment is part of the overall assessment.

- Dean Dorsey updated us on the status of graduate faculty: in the last academic year, the graduate faculty of UGA voted to disband themselves at the university level in favor of program-level graduate faculty. Departments have been asked to develop guidelines for program-level graduate faculty: guidelines were submitted to the Dean's office for review, and, as it is an iterative process, there is a cycle of feedback. About half of the guidelines have been sent to the graduate school for approval.
- Dean Dorsey would like the faculty to nominate those who are doing good research to be acknowledged: nominations for creative research awards, creative research medals, early career scholar awards are due Wednesday, 19 September 2018. The Dean's Office would also like the faculty to nominate those who are doing good work in their career: nominations for University, Regents, and Distinguished Research Professorships are due Wednesday, 26 September 2018. The process and guidelines are available on the Franklin College website; please reach out to the Dean's Office for guidance and information.
- Dean Dorsey would like to inform us of another leadership change within the University community. Dr. Dan Silk is UGA's new chief of police. Chief Silk has a 20-year career at UGA and in Athens-Clarke County. He received his MA in our Department of Religion and his PhD from the College of Education; he has taught in criminal justice program in addition to his service.
- Dean Dorsey closed his remarks with some sad news: Dr. Christy Desmet passed away this summer; she was a Josiah Meigs Professor in the Department of English. There is a secular memorial scheduled for 4:00p on Friday, 28 September in the University Chapel.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Standards Committee: No new business reported.
- Curriculum Committee: Approved 8 new courses, approved 10 course changes, and 12 bulletin changes; 1 termination of major (Master in Music Education, MEd); 3 areas of emphasis; 1 Double Dawg (History); 1 academic program (Theater and Film Studies); 1 Department Name Change (Comparative Literature)
- Executive Committee: No new business reported.
- Committee on Faculty Affairs: No new business reported.
- Committee on Planning & Evaluation: No new business reported.

New Business:

- Committee Nominations and Elections for 2018-19
 - Awards Committee
President Chad Howe presented a proposed list of new members. The newly elected members of the Awards committee, who help with college-level awards, are: Edward Azoff (Mathematics) and Sarah Shannon (Sociology).

- Academic Standards Committee
President Chad Howe proposed a new member. The newly elected member is Chris Peterson (Plant Biology).
- Ad Hoc Committee on Baldwin Hall:
President Chad Howe proposed a chair and a list of new members who volunteered to serve on the committee. The newly elected committee members are: Chair - Christopher Pizzino (English); Mary Bedell (Genetics); Pete Brosius (Anthropology); Michael Usher (Mathematics); and Kristin Kundert (Theatre & Film Studies).
- Amendment to the Ad Hoc Committee on Baldwin Hall's charge to not have specified dates for the report, but rather have the report "to be delivered as soon as the committee deems feasible." The goal was to give the committee flexibility and time to accomplish their work and develop a report. The amendment was approved unanimously.
- Termination of a Graduate Degree Program: Music Education, MEd. – Dale Monson, Director HHSOM . The HHSOM currently has two Masters degrees, and the MEd is a has been around for three decades without any students enrolled in it. The music program would like to eliminate it, because students enroll in the other program. Termination approved.
- Proposals for new Areas of Emphasis in several Music Programs – Dale Monson, Director HHSOM. In each degree, the separate emphases and tracts have been offered for years on an informal basis; the HHSOM would like to formalize the distinction so that it may be included on the graduate's transcript.
 - Master of Music with emphases in Composition, Conducting, Performance, and Performance and Pedagogy. Performance and Pedagogy is a separate program. The program was approved unanimously.
 - Doctor of Musical Arts with emphases in Composition, Conducting, and Performance. There are three separate tracts (Composition, Conducting, or Performance), and the emphasis for the Doctor of Musical Arts now will be reflected on the transcript, rather than just saying "Doctor of Musical Arts", the area of emphasis will also be listed. The program was approved unanimously.
 - PhD in Music with emphases in Musicology/Ethnomusicology and Music Education. As with the Master of Music and the Doctor of Musical arts, this is a distinguishing of two separate tracts or areas of emphasis for the PhD. Students have, in the past, followed the different tracts in practice and now HHSOM want the emphasis to appear on the transcript. The program was approved unanimously.
- Proposal for New Academic Program in Theatre and Film Studies – David Saltz, Theatre & Film Studies. With an impetus coming from the growth of the film industry in Georgia, the Department of Theater and Film Studies has proposed an intensive, brand-new MFA degree in Film, TV, and Visual Media; joint in Franklin College and Grady. The target audience "above-the-line" talent (e.g., directors). The degree would take two years to complete, the first half in Athens, the second in Pinewood Studios at the Georgia Film

Academy working with film technology in groups. The program is a terminal degree and targeting students coming out of a bachelor's program or early career professionals experience, but it is not targeting professionals in the field; it is designed to be completely immersive for the time, designed for young talent, but not designed a part-time degree program. The program was approved unanimously.

Agendas and supporting materials will be posted on the Faculty Senate Website. Online copies of the Bylaws, Policy and Procedure Manual, and minutes of previous meetings are also maintained on this site.

Old Business:

- None.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
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