UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 15, 2017

Present: Dennis Booth, Norman Coates, John Ferri, Martha Golden, Renata Jackson, Leslie Kamtman, Steve LaCosse, Geordie MacMinn, Laura Martin, Ellen Rosenberg, Paul Sharpe, Betsy Towns, Mike Wakeford, Greg Walter, Wade Wilson
Ex-officio Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost David English

I. Approval of Minutes
- Minutes of the February 1, 2017 Faculty Council Meeting were approved as written.

II. Faculty Council Report – Wade Wilson
- Call for volunteers to work with Michael Rothkopf on Faculty Manual revisions over Spring Break
  - Martha Golden, Leslie Kamtman, Jill Lane
  - Ellen Rosenberg can assist after Spring Break
- Set date for All-School Faculty Meeting
  - Wednesday, March 15, 2017

III. Standing Committee Reports
NOTE: Summary Reports were included with the Agenda.

A. Campus Development Committee – Geordie MacMinn
- Campus Facilities is aware of lighting and pothole issues on Kenan Drive and is looking into solutions.
- Pickle Jar will have recycling bins again.
- A campus-wide alcohol and drug consortium will be formed and faculty are encouraged to participate.
- Discussed lockdown protocol with the Chief after hearing about a recent incident in the D&P area.
- Awaiting information and meeting dates regarding renovation projects: Library Phase 3, Old Library, Performance Place.
- Council discussion followed.
  - Questions and concerns about recycling: do we have enough bins and are recycling materials being handled appropriately. CDC will follow up with Carin Ioannou.
  - Concerns expressed about parking and clarity of signage, particularly regarding reserved spaces. CDC will follow up with Campus Police.
  - Parking should be a critical part of the Campus Master Plan.
  - Invite Jim DeCristo to attend a CDC meeting to share information and provide follow up to the campus community regarding regular monthly meetings he has with the Washington Park neighborhood.
  - Discussed perception and communication concerns regarding Campus Police and the campus community. CDC will follow up with the Interim Chief.
• UNCSA Capital Projects Update: included with the February 17, 2017 Board of Trustees Finance Committee materials.
• CDC should be involved in the meetings regarding the renovation and master plan projects. Provost English will follow up on communication issues to ensure that CDC is appropriately informed moving forward.

B. Educational Policies – Renata Jackson

• The bulk of the January 25th and February 8th meetings addressed the DLA proposal. On January 25th, DLA rep Krystyna Puc made the formal motion requesting EPC’s endorsement of a revised general education core of 30-credit hours plus a 1-credit Capstone course.
• Members of the faculty who have been working on various components of this proposal (the “First Year Experience” pilot; “Writing About” courses; the “Capstone” piece) were invited to the January 25th meeting. They took questions and addressed various EPC members’ concerns. Discussion continued at the February 8th meeting.
• In further conversation about Capstone on Feb. 8th, the possibility was raised that a capstone project need not necessarily “live” within the Division of Liberal Arts but actually might serve our students better elsewhere: in the individual Art schools.
• In light of this discussion, Krystyna Puc rescinded her earlier motion and revised it to request that the EPC endorse the 30 credit hour general education core articulated in the proposal, absent the Capstone component, to take effect Fall 2018.
• This motion was voted on and passed, not unanimously but with an overwhelming majority of aye-votes from the EPC membership. EPC reps will now begin to work with our Art Schools to adjust our curricula to accommodate this revised core.
• The EPC is also committed to continuing the important conversation about Capstone, and to working with the faculty members across our campus who have already been discussing and drafting various ideas about what such an entity might look like for UNCSA.
• Also at the February 8th meeting, Rebecca Nussbaum from Student Affairs came in to speak with us about the possibility of Service Learning courses (classes that address both student learning outcomes and the community’s needs). We will try to pilot one or two classes with this designation for Fall 2017. One immediate candidate for such a designation is a wig-making class in the School of Design & Production in which students make wigs for cancer patients.
• Council discussion followed.

C. Faculty Development – John Ferri

• Met on February 8th to review procedures for adjudicating reassigned time applications. Preliminary discussions of applications followed.

D. Faculty Rank – Greg Walter

• Continued correcting and editing online documents for revisions in March.
• Waiting on dossiers of rank candidates from Faculty Affairs.
E. Faculty Welfare – Paul Sharpe
   • Looking into the issue of nearly static salary increases over the past ten years in relationship to the consistently climbing cost of healthcare for faculty members.
   • Paul requested data regarding faculty salaries and health care costs from HR but was told that would be illegal for HR to supply.
     o Council discussion followed.
     o Provost English will follow up on this issue.
   • Faculty Welfare will continue to pursue compiling data and confer with other UNC system faculty welfare committees about the salary/health care cost experience on their campuses.
   • Ombuds Search update: currently reviewing applications.

IV. Faculty Assembly – Ellen Rosenberg
   • Next Faculty Assembly meeting is February 17th. Focus will be “Distance Learning.”
   • Chair Gabriel Lugo resent some of the documents itemizing the alleged infractions by the North Carolina General Assembly and the UNC system Board of Governors on compliance issues with the standards set forth by SACSCOC. They have been more formally clarified.

V. Other
   • Next meeting: Resolution for Peer Evaluation Guidelines.
   • Question raised regarding how a full teaching load is defined.
     o Council discussion followed.
       ▪ There is a UNC policy on faculty workload, but UNCSA is not explicitly named in it. Model is four-four.
       ▪ Further clarification and clearer definitions are needed.
       ▪ Provost English will follow up on this.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie E. Kamtman