
Remote Meeting - Zoom
September 23, 2020 – 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
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Anderson, Applegate, Black, Blatt, Brown, DeKrey, Doerner, Endres, Leek, Luger, Peterson, Schaberl, Wiegand, Zimmerman

The meeting was called to order at 3:31PM.

Approved with addition of course modality discussion after the Chair's Report.

Approved without objection.

(Luger)

Welcome to new member Bailie Peterson, HSS Senator elected this Fall.

Francie Murry has communicated regarding the question of suspending annual/biennial review for tenured faculty; we may take up the topic this year.

Applegate asked Anderson to explain the changes for course modality proposed by the Provost's Office.

- In an effort to have at least 70% of course selections with a face-to-face component, the University needs to increase the number of face-to-face or hybrid format courses by about 15%.
 - The impression in some colleges is that hiring for next year is not tied to need, but to having face-to-face offerings.
 - Some faculty have expressed concern regarding the extra/duplicate work of facilitating hybrid course models.
- Student feedback regarding class experiences, particularly in lower division classes, is that the online experience is lacking. Students want to have on-campus, face-to-face class experiences.
 - It is unclear whether these types of complaints are representative of the larger student body. Some students are opting out of in-person class attendance and/or prefer their courses to be facilitated online.
- After census, a survey will go out to students for their feedback regarding their college experiences, but we acknowledge the timing is rough because Spring scheduling is already underway.

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The meeting was adjourned at 4:49PM.

Stan Luger
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary