

# Faculty Council Meeting Minutes February 18, 2022 3:00 pm

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Present: Dr. Carlen Henington, Chair, Dr. Kimberly Hall, Dr. Ksenia Zhbanova, Dr. Craig Aarhus,

Dr. Nicole Miller, Dr. Laith Mazahreh, Dr. Joanne Beriswill, Dr. Zhujun Pann, Dr. Quiana Cutts,

Dr. Swapnil Patole, and Dr. Matthew Haislip, secretary

Dr. Carol White and Dr. Harish Chander communicated in advance that they could not attend the meeting.

### **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

• Agenda approved with unanimous consent

#### Approval of Minutes from the January 2022 meeting

• Minutes approved with unanimous consent

#### **Spring 2022 meeting dates**

• Invitations for meeting have been sent

### **Updates**

- Dr. Kimberly Hall Representative from the Dean's Office
  - CACREP completed written psych visit and it will go to their board for accreditation
  - o addendum has been submitted to CAEP; team members will be notified and prepared for participation in this area

- Updates from Chair Dr. Henington
  - Meeting with Dr. Jayroe:
    - o Receptive to all of our requests/issues
      - Moving Taskstream due dates Dr. Jayroe agrees and is working on a revision of due dates to alleviate stress
      - Parking issues on campus should be resolved, but still looking into arrangements for Meridian faculty who come to campus
      - Advising and summer expectations still looking into this and considering needs and expectations per department
      - Lab Development would like clarification on issue
        - will be removed from future agenda items as no committee members can recall what this pertained to for the past two meetings.
      - CAEP accreditation Last minute prep for virtual site visit under way (e.g., mock interviews)
      - Update in University required syllabus statement from UCCC
        - Set of policies to be put all syllabi; UCCC has changed these statements quite a bit due to COVID.
        - An statement will be put into syllabi with a link to all active university policies stating that students are responsible for all of the policies in the link.
        - This will ensure consistency and unity in presentation for syllabi.
        - Faculty may include specific policies in their syllabi, if desired, as long as they are consistent with the current policies.
        - Soft rollout in the fall; hard rollout next spring. Students will receive a popup window acknowledgment prompt on Banner.
        - Dr. Henington has requested adjusted participation language for each of the various campuses.
      - MDE rules for counseling to submit annual report, but do not have to meet the different requirements.
      - Please remember the family of Dr. Jack Blendinger, who passed away recently
      - Dean Jayroe would like to start a coffee with the Dean with faculty.
- Updates from Committees
  - o Faculty Issues Dr. Nicole Miller (Members: Miller, Patole, Mazahreh, Pan, Aarhus, and Henington)
    - o 9-month faculty advising during the summer months
      - Dr. Jayroe still exploring this
      - Progress on MSU Advising Center appears to be on hold
    - o Invitations to college and university leadership
      - Dr, Jayroe had a last minute conflict
  - o **Ancillary Issues** Dr. Qiana Cutts (Members: Drs. Cutts, Briswill, Walker, Zhbanova, Labat, and Haislip)
    - o Graduate Assistant pay Ongoing discussions at the university level
    - Assistance to junior faculty Dr. Jayroe would welcome a panel to speak before
      the group with questions; will send out survey for items that would be good for
      junior faculty should know, etc.; would like to pursue mentoring with senior
      faculty.

#### Ad hoc Committee on Teaching Evaluations

- Position statement/white paper on teaching evaluations (Drs. Harish, Beriswill, Zhbanova, and Henington); Dr. Jayroe requests that we send this to her office before submitting the statement.
- Updates from Departments
  - o New initiatives, courses, hires; awards; ideas other departments might find useful.
    - CEPF
- self study submitted to CAEP; waiting to hear report
- CISE
- MDE approved a new core sequence for elementary education literacy coursework requiring a program modification, syllabi additions and revisions.
- In addition, that sequence along with a math methods class taken at the graduate level will allow secondary education licensed educators to earn an elementary education license.
- EDL nothing to report
- ISWD
- Building renovations complete by end of Spring opening for Fall semester; pulling out dumpsters for more parking.
- 14-Day writing challenge from National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (MSU faculty have free membership to this organization)
  - Commit to write for 30 minutes each day; post progress;
     five minutes to support other writers
  - o https://www.facultydiversity.org/sessions/14dayspring2022
- KIN
- MSU office of public affairs released Dr. Harish Chander's research and lab 1-minute "We Ring True" video that has already been used for the Academic Insight event in recent weeks week and promoted on social media (<a href="https://youtu.be/FLl61crW8ic">https://youtu.be/FLl61crW8ic</a>)
- Kinesiology will have a meeting with Dr. Jayroe to discuss advising in the Physical Education and Coaching program
- Meridian
- Dr. Caren Henington's article "Competency-based accreditation: The process and challenges of training to the standards of accreditation" published in School Psychology Training and Pedagogy was a finalist in the journal's 2021 Article of the Year.
- Music
- Completion of new music building has been pushed back to later this spring due to supply chain issues
- Dr. Gadke is the Chair of the Music Department Head search and is doing a great job of organizing it.

#### **Old Business**

Nothing to report

#### **New Business**

Nothing to report

## Adjourn:

- motion to adjourn approved with unanimous consent.
- Meeting adjourned at 3:50pm

## **Next meeting:**

March 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm via Webex
 Minutes submitted by Dr. Matthew Haislip

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