

Collegiate Council Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 15, 2021, 1:30 to 3:00pm
Location: 1102 Francis Scott Key and Zoom

Attendees: Caroline Wilkins (Chair), Matthew Suriano (Vice Chair), Shannon Collis (Secretary), Heather Bremenstuhl, Pamela A Orel, Jiyou Kim, Linda K. Coleman, Bayley Marquez, Harjit Singh Bhogal, Robert Burgard, Elsa Barkley Brown, Mikhail Dolbilov, Stephanie Prichard, Rachel Fredman, Shalom Rosenberg, Andrea Marie Frisch, Emily Catherine Egan, Julie Gowin, Andrea Brown, Katherine Wasdin, Associate Dean Linda Aldoory, Dean Bonnie Thornton Dill

Dean's Remarks

The Dean shared a few announcements with the group. First, the Arts & Humanities Dean's Lecture Series featuring Vijay Gupta is next week (Thursday, October 21, 5:30pm to 7:30pm). Second, the Dean's Colloquium Series on Race, Equity and Justice will return on Wednesday, October 27 starting at 9:00am with Christopher Bonner, associate professor in the Department of History. Third, there will be some interesting issues in the University Senate this year, such as a campus workload policy and what to do about COVID issues in the classroom.

September 2021 Minutes

The committee voted to approve the September 2021 minutes with no abstentions.

Senate ARHU TTK Apportionment

Ahead of today's meeting, the Council voted 16-2 in favor of giving the Meyerhoff Program and Center for Jewish Studies one seat and eliminating a third Senate seat in the School of Languages, Literatures and Cultures (SLLC), the School of Music (MUSC) and the Department of History (HIST) at the end of 2021-2022 academic year. The Department of English, however, would continue to have a third Senate seat as it is the largest academic unit in ARHU.

Information about ARHU TTK Senator term lengths is on the UMD Senate site [here](#).

Looking ahead, the Council will work with the Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Research to send a formal notification to the three affected units. Additionally, the Meyerhoff Program and Center will need to prepare to appoint a representative in February 2022 to start in academic year 2022-2023.

The Council will also need to decide whether it would like to rotate that third seat among the largest units. And the Council will need to see if they would like to appoint representatives to the seat for a shorter-than-standard term, as in a 2 year term.

Vice Chair Matt Suriano, Secretary Shannon Collis and Lauren Campbell will work with the Senate Office to facilitate this process going forward.

New Business

Thinking About COVID's Impact on APT Processes

Chair Caroline Wilkins shared that she recently met with Matt Suriano and Former Chair Max Grossman about the Council's COVID impact document and APT last year.

Looking ahead, the Council should plan to work with the Dean to assist her in her goals as they relate to promotion guidelines for the College. The Dean noted that the impact of COVID on scholarship, teaching and community service is not a one-year thing; it is a longer-term process. Consequently, units need to revisit their APT policies in light of something this transformative that is going to be ongoing. Does it mean that the tenure clock should be extended? Does it mean that we need to look at teaching differently? The present may be an inflection point for tenure and promotion as well for AEP processes. COVID has pushed the College to consider the measures we have used and the ways in which we have used them and their appropriateness. The Council could definitely help the Dean by providing advice and suggestions on what to do and how to think through these particulars.

Diversity Education Task Force Report

Caroline Wilkins asked Council to look at the DETF Report ahead of the next meeting. The Council is asked to reflect on the following: What are the reservations that units have about the Report? How could our units and the College respond to these recommendations as opportunities? How might the Council advise our ARHU Senators to vote on the report recommendations if it makes it to the Senate?

After the meeting, Lauren Campbell found out the report is now under review in our [Senate's Education Affairs Committee](#). If the Task Force Report is approved by the Committee, it will go to the Senate.

Dean's Note about HuMetrics Fellows Program

The Dean mentioned that she has been very involved in a project called HuMetrics, Human Metrics in the Humanities and Social Sciences. The project is really designed to think about a values-based approach to appointment, promotion and tenure with an eye towards assessing our values rather than valuing what we able to assess. HuMetrics runs a Fellows Program which may be of interest to those in the Council; please let the Dean know if you are interested.

3:00pm: Adjournment

Next Meeting: Friday, November 19, 2021, 1:30pm to 3:00pm