

**ARHU Collegiate Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, January 28, 2022, 1:30pm to 3:00pm**  
Hybrid – 1102 FSK and Zoom

**Attendance:** Caroline Wilkins, Pamela Orel, Julie Gowin, Emily Egan, Linda Aldoory, Kathryn Their, Matthew Suriano, Katherine Wasdin, Andrea Marie Frisch, Harjit Singh Bhogal, Linda Coleman, Bayley Marquez, Robert Burgard, Shannon Leah Collis, Mikhail Dolbilov, Rachel Fredman, Robert Chiles, Heather Bremenstuhl, Stephanie Prichard, Elsa Barkley Brown, Jiyou Kim, Andrea Brown, Jeffrey Lidz, Dean Bonnie Thornton Dill

**Dean's Remarks**

The Dean had brief remarks for the Council. The main item to share was that full-time faculty and staff will be receiving COLAs and eligible for merit in FY22 and FY23. Additionally, a one-time \$1500 bonus will be distributed this January. Getting merit money has been a priority of the Provost and the President; both have been working with the legislature to make that happen.

**Vote on November 2021 Minutes**

The November 2021 minutes were approved unanimously with no abstentions.

**Update on Special Election for ARHU Full-Time PTK Senators**

The special election for full-time PTK UMD Senate seats was run earlier this week. 3 PTK faculty ran for 3 seats, meaning everyone who ran will be seated.

Matthew Suriano mentioned that it was difficult finding PTK faculty willing to serve, and he is wondering why this is case. Perhaps this is a topic to discuss at another meeting.

**Update on Review of ENGL Plan of Organization**

Council members were expected to review the ENGL POO with track changes and the memo Caroline would send to the unit in Box before the meeting. The Council agreed that this POO and the memo is approved to send to ENGL without any changes.

**Planning for NFLC Plan of Organization Review**

Andrea Frisch, Linda Coleman, Shannon Collis, Robert Chiles and Caroline Wilkins volunteered to participate. Lauren will help the group set up a meeting in early February.

Council members reviewing this POO should keep in mind that NFLC is largely a staff and PTK faculty organization. For this reason, this POO may look a little different than the usual. While reviewing, the committee is encouraged to use the POO review rubric as a guide.

**DETF Report Updates/Discussion**

The DETF subcommittee met in December and submitted their response (in Box) to Linda Coleman to share with the Senate. Linda shared this response with the Senate close to Winter Break. This topic is up for discussion at the next UMD Senate meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Spring Plenary Planning**

The Council needs to change Spring Plenary date from Thursday, April 28, 3:30pm to 5:00pm due to a scheduling conflict. The Council then discussed three alternates: Thursday, March 31, Thursday, April 21 and Tuesday, May 3. The Council then decided to move forward with **Thursday, April 21, 3:30pm and 5:00pm.**

Council members then moved to deciding on a topic for the Spring Plenary. The top vote-getter in the initial poll was *The University's 1856 Project*, with 10 out of 12 respondents voting in favor. The other two were *Keeping the Arts and Humanities Relevant in Data-Driven Role* and *Current Racial Moment: Policing, imprisonment and its relationship to the university*.

A Zoom poll was run, and a clear winner emerged: 17 out of 19 Council members voted for The University's 1856 Project.

Council members then started to think about who could be invited to speak at the event. Lae'l Watkins, Joni Floyd or someone at the African American Digital Humanities initiative were mentioned as potentially good points of contact.

Given the questions about the viability of in-person events later in the semester, a Zoom Webinar may be the best mode of delivery this time around.

### **New Business**

No new business to report.