

- I. A meeting of the faculty of the Department of Biological Sciences was called to order at 12:33 p.m. on Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 in MO 451 by Dr. Don Hauber.
- II. Faculty present: Anderson, Barnes, ~~Barrilleaux~~, Bucolo, Chiasson, ~~Don~~, Hauber, Hood, Jordan, Mix, Thomas, ~~Tobler~~, Wolfe.
- III. DSAC representatives: ~~Julia Racine~~ and Arden Lagrone.
- IV. Minutes were approved for the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- V. Announcements
  - A. Biology Research Seminars: There are three remaining seminars which will be held on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Kim will be on sabbatical next year so someone else will need to take the lead on organizing the seminars.
  - B. Health Career Seminars: The next seminar will be held on April 5<sup>th</sup> and is on nursing. Stanford is scheduled to present to students on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Biology is not responsible for organizing the Health Career Seminars. Rosalie will speak with Edouard about someone from another department taking over for Tish – possibly someone from Psych since about half of the pre-med students are Psych majors.
  - C. DSAC update: There is a new system on Blackboard that would predict for teachers what grade each student would make. Students are concerned because the teachers haven't even met any of them yet. There is no regular meeting scheduled yet but hopefully they will have one more before the semester ends. (Julia) Don asked if Arden and Julia would be willing to represent again next year and thanked them for their service.
  - D. DAC update: The DAC meeting was cancelled.
  - E. Fall 2018 schedule update: The Fall schedule was updated and is complete.
  - F. Faculty Search update: Don met with Maria yesterday and the Provost is considering if we can move forward with extending the offer to the second choice candidate, Zach Lewis, who is still available. The 9 month position has been confirmed with the offer to Hunter Cole; however, the Provost hasn't sent the offer letter yet.
  - G. Other Announcements: The URS is in 1 ½ weeks. The final event for BioBlitz is scheduled for April 14<sup>th</sup>. Late Nights at Loyola is student led and continues to make an impact. Capstone Poster Session will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Earth Week is the following week. Bioinformatics has 5 different online models and students team up to make presentations on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be 3 teams of 4 students at this poster session. Rosalie and Phil will host another community outreach event with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Langston Hughes Academy on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- VI. Old Business:
  - A. New course discussion – A&P I and A&P II: Before Tish elevated A&P to a 300 level course, most universities offered it as a 200 level. Offering A&P I one semester and A&P II another semester will be of value to the students who will earn 3 credits for lecture and 1 credit for lab each semester. Some universities allow Bio majors to count Human A&P as electives. Nursing majors have to take it. If offered as a 200 level course, then it only counts as a general elective. Discussion took place about the heaviness of the material and that it should not be presented so quickly as the students find it very difficult. A

motion was made and seconded to offer A&P I and A&P II in separate semesters. A vote was taken and it passed unanimously.

VII. New Business:

- A. Nominations for Chair: A motion was made and seconded to suspend the rules and vote at this meeting. A vote was taken and it passed with 8 voting “yes” and 1 abstention. A motion was made and seconded to nominate Don for Chair. A vote was taken and it passed unanimously.
- B. Ordinary faculty meeting second half of the period. Extraordinary faculty Phil Bucolo and Susan Chiasson were dismissed along with the DSAC Rep, Arden Lagrone. Aimée Thomas was interviewed as a candidate for Tenure Track. Aimée was dismissed. Discussion ensued and a motion was made and seconded to recommend that Aimée be moved up to Tenure Track. A secret ballot vote was taken with Patricia Dorn previously giving her vote by proxy. The vote passed with 6 voting “yes”, 0 “no” and 1 abstention.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m. This is the last meeting of the semester.