

**College of Humanities and Natural Sciences
Council of Chairs Meeting – Bobet 202
February 9, 2015 • 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Call to Order

Dean Maria Calzada called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Attended: John Biguenet, Mary Brazier, Maria Calzada, Eileen Doll, Frank Jordan, Michael Kelly, Kenneth Keulman, Lynn Koplitz, Martin McHugh, David Moore, Connie Mui, Uriel Quesada and Connie Rodriguez

Also Attended: Provost Marc Manganaro and Dr. John Sebastian

I. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of January 12, 2015 were approved.

II. Reports on DSAC and Honor Code - Uriel Quesada

DSAC – Dr. Quesada reported that the DSAC speakers are Christopher Backes and Emily Reynolds.

Honor Code - Associate Dean Quesada said that the Honor Code (Attachment #1) would have to be approved by the senate in the fall semester. This version is posted in the current bulletin. All colleges should provide feedback to the senate through their department representatives. Dr. Quesada asked the chairs to read the Honor Code and there will be a discussion about it at the next Council of Chairs. The first meeting of the committee to discuss implementation of best practices of honor code violations will be tomorrow. The committee members are Dr. Quesada, Dr. Ashley Howard and Robert Bell.

III. Fall Course Deadlines and Part Time Needs

Dean Calzada reminded the chairs to submit part time needs for the fall and also the spring semester of next year. The Provost Office asks for the entire year.

IV. Calendar

Feb. 6 – Chairs submit contract renewal recommendations for 3rd and 5th year of service faculty to the dean

Feb. 27 – Fourth year pre-tenure track faculty submit materials to the chair

March 6 – Chairs submit fourth year pre-tenure track faculty review materials to the dean

March 14 – President's Open House – It will be the same format as in the past. There will be three sessions: Pre-Health, Humanities at Work and Undergraduate Research. Dean Calzada asked for any new ideas. A suggestion was made that there be a Pre-Law session, and Dean Calzada said she would check into this. Also, name badges can be gotten from Jack Petty on Metairie Road.

V. Faculty/Staff Excellence Awards

Dean Calzada said that this year there would be an electronic process for Faculty/Staff Excellence Award nominations. Nomination information can be found on the College of HNS website under Resources. Nominations should be emailed to Sara Clark at srclark@loyno.edu. The dean's office is in the process of setting up a Blackboard account where the nominations will be posted. The deadline for nominations is April 10th.

VI. Senate Motion – Connie Rodriguez

Dr. Connie Rodriguez handed out a motion (Attachment #2) that was proposed at the senate last week regarding the renaming of The College of HNS to Loyola College. She advised that if our college wants to press this issue to make sure that the senate reps attend the next senate meeting on March 5th.

VII. Website Update

Dean Calzada reported that she had a meeting with the web team. They are still fixing some issues with the new website. If you need any help with your web site, please contact Sara Clark in the dean's office. We are trying to get all departments to work on their homepage sliders, which can be linked to stories.

VIII. On-line Evaluations

Dr. Rodriguez said that she noticed hateful personal comments on the online evaluations. Dr. Brazier said that the online committee is looking at this. She said students do not think the faculty are seeing these comments. Dean Calzada said that we should let students know that faculty do see the comments. She said that Brad Petitfils is working on an online evaluation report for the chairs.

IX. Common Curriculum – Marc Manganaro and John Sebastian

Provost Manganaro and John Sebastian gave a report on revising the common curriculum (Attachment #3). Dr. Manganaro said that this has been a collaborative process, and stressed that they are doing this with student success in mind. Students need to graduate in a timely manner and we need to eliminate roadblocks. Dr. Doll expressed her deep concern that there is no language requirement. Other chairs said they are still concerned about students coming to Loyola not prepared to succeed and we need to make room for them to get ready, and a large common curriculum takes away from that.

Dr. Sebastian said that he would be more comfortable going forward with this proposal after having more discussions with departments. He offered to meet with any department to discuss it further.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Attachments

Attachment #1: Honor Code

http://chn.loyno.edu/sites/chn.loyno.edu/files/file_attach/Honor%20Code%20Updated%20Document-01052015.pdf

Attachment #2: Senate Motion

Motion, proposed by Janna Saslaw, College of Music and Fine Arts

Whereas hundreds of Loyola undergraduate students work toward degrees in the College of Business and the College of Music and Fine Arts, hundreds more are in the School of Mass Communication, which has yet to be placed within a College under the restructuring plan, and a significant number of undergraduates will also be in the new College of Professional and Continuing Studies; and whereas other undergraduate colleges that bear the name of their university (Columbia College, Harvard College) contain the vast majority of their undergraduate students, which would not be the case at Loyola, the University Senate recommends that the current College of Humanities and Social Sciences not be renamed "Loyola College."

From Alice Clark's Chair's Report:

Loyola College

As some of you know, the College of Humanities and Natural Sciences at its January assembly overwhelmingly voted to propose that it be renamed Loyola College. A motion against this proposal will be entered at our meeting. I will do my best to lead discussion on this issue without injecting my own views, but it is something I feel strongly about, so I will explain my own thinking here. Let me emphasize that these are my own personal views; take or leave them as such!

I think the upcoming reorganization provides a marvelous opportunity to celebrate the newly reconstituted College of (Liberal) Arts and Sciences with a special name—especially if donor funds are attached. My only concern is with that specific name. For any one college to call itself Loyola implies that it is the "real" Loyola and therefore others are not. I feel that keenly, and I have heard similar concerns voiced by others. Some have raised traditions such as that of Columbia, Harvard, Rutgers, and even Tulane—but those colleges were originally men's colleges, opposed to associated women's colleges (Barnard, Radcliffe, Douglass, Newman). Neither the long-standing tradition nor the gender distinction obtains here, but it may be worth noting that those traditional names also carried some sense of exclusion.

Again, I love the idea of a name. It could be great to have a new college named for Fr. Carter, and donors would likely respond to that. We could name it for one of the early Jesuits, or someone associated with Loyola's early history, or Messina College, recognizing the first Jesuit school. But we are all Loyola!

Attachment #3: Revising the Common Curriculum

http://chn.loyno.edu/sites/chn.loyno.edu/files/file_attach/Revised%20Common%20Curriculum.pdf