

University Committee on Faculty Affairs

Minutes

September 13, 2022



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Present: J. Alan, A. Austin, C. Borchgrevink, J. Buchweitz, P. Edwards, J. Fitzsimmons, M. Helton, B. Holtz, T. Jeitschko, N. Lajevardi, D. McCole, T. Pence, E. Rapinchuk, F. Ravitch, J. Schuster-Craig, T. Silvestri, F. Villarruel, L. Walesby, P. White, H. Wu, K. Yermak

Absent: K. Bieda, T. Craig

A regular meeting of the University Committee on Faculty Affairs was held on September 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom with Chairperson Jamie Alan presiding. The agenda was approved as presented.

The members of the committee then took turns introducing themselves. Interim Associate Provost for Faculty and Academic Staff Affairs Ann Austin, Director of Faculty and Academic Staff Affairs Kara Yermak, Senior Associate Provost Thomas Jeitschko, and Faculty Grievance Official Francisco Villarruel gave remarks.

Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

Jamie Alan nominated herself to be to be chairperson for the 2022–2023 academic year. The committee elected Alan chairperson.

The chairperson nominated Pete White to be vice chairperson, but White declined. Bree Holtz nominated herself and was elected vice chairperson.

Emeritus Award EA2223-01 [2223-07]

Scot Yoder moved to grant emeritum status to Frances Pouch Downs. The motion was adopted following debate.

Annual Empaneling of UCFA Disciplinary Review Panel

Carl Borchgrevink, John Fitzsimmons, and Melanie Helton volunteered to serve on the Disciplinary Review Panel established in the [Discipline and Dismissal of Tenured Faculty for Cause Policy](#) for the 2022–2023 academic year. Daniel McCole, Pete White, and Frank Ravitch volunteered as alternates.

C. S. Mott Department of Public Health Proposal

The committee reviewed [a proposal](#) to create the Charles Stewart Mott Department of Public Health in the College of Human Medicine. Vice Chairperson Holtz indicated that she saw potential for collaboration between the College of Human Medicine and the College of Communication Arts and Sciences in the area of health communication and noted that Dean Aron Sousa of CHM and Dean Prabu David of ComArtSci were working on a memorandum of understanding to that effect. Vice Chairperson Holtz moved to delay UCFA's consideration of the proposal until the memorandum of understanding was finished. The motion was adopted by consent following debate.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Tyler Silvestri

Secretary for Academic Governance

Approved: October 11, 2022