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CFA COLLEGE COUNCIL MEETING – FEB. 25, 2022 MINUTES

Attendees:

John Scheib, Miriam Albert Sobrino, Ed Bateman, Melissa Bobick, Sydney Cheek-O'Donnell, Lana Crichton, Natalie Desch, Elizabeth DeWitte, Claudia Horton, Jen Humphreys, Kaitlin Kerr-Osman, Liz Leckie, Melonie Murray, Adam Pfost, Mike Sammons, Barbara Smith, Luc Vanier, Gage Williams, Parker Rawlins, Dan Evans, Pamela Jones, Sean Carter, Xan Johnson, Emelie Mahdavian, Daniel Clifton, V.Kim Martinez, Jay Kim, Miguel Chuaqui, Paul Larsen

1. Approval of Minutes from Nov. 19, 2021 Meeting There are no corrections, and minutes stand approved.

2. Announcements & Reports:

Dean's Report:

J. Scheib noted positive trends in pandemic case rates nationwide. The university will require time to evaluate the most recent CDC guideline which leaves it to counties to rate their risks. Multiple searches continue throughout the college for both directors and faculty. Facility renovations on campus are ongoing with fluctuating completion dates.

President Randall's Operation Bold initiative charges each college to identify metrics that align with peer or aspirational goals to move the university into the Top Ten in Ten (years.)

J. Scheib announced the creation of the university's Equity Diversity Inclusion Strategy Council, on which many deans participate. It uses a model called "Shared Equity Leadership" involving learning circles, as well as a Personal Journey Toward Critical Consciousness. One goal of the council is to "dismantle a hierarchy of human value."

Dean's Staff Reports:

A.Pfost reported that central administration has reduced the extent of budget data the colleges must provide. The university also emphasizes that colleges utilize existing resources. Greater state support is anticipated once the legislative session ends on March 4, 2022 which would be welcome, considering Utah and the western region have experienced high increases in the cost of living over the past 12 months, trends which began before the pandemic.

3. Action Item:

M. Murray invited the council to review proposed changes to the 2016 CFA College Charter. Discussion addressed why the Utah Center of Vocology (UCV) is separate. The College of Fine Arts is its own entity with an Organization I.D., and all units roll up to it. UCV falls under the College Organization and is the college's one research center. The four Affiliates exist independently and do not roll up to the College.

Ed Bateman moved to vote on the updated College Charter. Xan Johnson seconded the motion. Results of the anonymous Zoom poll: 95% in favor; 5% abstentions. The College Charter was approved by CFA College Council and will next be submitted to the Academic Senate Committee for approval.

4. Upcoming Action Item:

M. Murray described proposed changes to the existing Retention and Review Statement for Career-Line, Adjunct and Visiting Faculty. The document will be sent to all faculty so they have time to review by 4/22 when the College Council can vote. It must also be approved by the Academic Senate.

5. Special Reports: N/A

6. New business:

Faculty Counsel Committee (FCC) will not meet on 3/25/22 as there are no new appointments to consider.

Next Meeting: April 22, 2022 | 2-4 pm | Zoom