

CBCS FACULTY COUNCIL
February 11, 2025 MINUTES
1:30 pm –2:05, TEAMS

Attendees:

Fawn Ngo (CCJ), Melissa Thompson (SW), Nickie Zenn (MHLP), Natalie Mikkelson (CSD), Hongdao Meng (SAS), Nickie Zenn (MHLP), Matthew Foster (CFS)

Guests:

Dean Julianne Serovich, Associate Dean Jennifer Lister, Associate Dean Howard Goldstein, CBCS Faculty Senate representative Nickie Zenn, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair Yazmin Castellano (CFS)

| Topic | Discussion | Action |
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| Minutes from | ➤ | Nickie Zenn will send approved minutes to Patty Cleveland to be posted on the CBCS intranet page. |
| Dean's Report – Dr. Julianne Serovich | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ BOG issues a new strategic plan – 2030 includes goals of USF to be part of the Top 25, a state premier educational system, grow strength and size of the faculty. Previous draft sent to Department Chairs.➤ CBCS to develop plans to increase the number of prestigious awards faculty apply for and are awarded➤ College budget presentations will be conducted in March | |
| Associate Dean's Report – Dr. Jennifer Lister | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ USF Abroad CBCS Scholarship Recipients: 13 London, 5 Florence, 8 Greece, and 6 Thailand➤ 11 CBCS Undergraduate Research recipients➤ Ceremony for scholarship recipients and faculty will be invited to attend➤ 25 Undergraduate Research assistantship recipients➤ Applications open for new tenure and promotion candidates 10 Instructor promotions, 1 T&P, 3 Full Professors, and 3 Research Faculty track | |
| Report of Research Council – Dr. Howard Goldstein | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Associate Dean's of Research meeting – review of contracts and grants that are not in compliance with executive orders, deadline was Monday. Stop work orders will follow. CBCS did not have any grants that were affected.➤ 881 million in cuts from the Department of Education, 29 training grants stop orders related to DEI, and the Institute of Educational Sciences halted 170 contracts.➤ Expectation that this will be tied up in the courts | |

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| USF Senate Updates- Nickie Zenn | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Gen Ed, Awards, and Budget | |
| CBCS Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair Yazmin | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The first committee meeting occurred in December; the committee will meet in March. ➤ The DEI Town Hall dates are yet to be determined. ➤ The D&I committee is working on faculty and student climate surveys. ➤ Community education, name of the committee, and group inclusion to be discussed. | |
| CBCS Curriculum Committee Updates- Dr. Jennifer Lister | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The list for approved Gen Ed courses was received from BOG- 2 CBCS Gen Ed courses approved in Speech and Gerontology ➤ Invited to submit DEP 2024 Life Cycle course ➤ In a week or two, a special cycle opens for submissions to begin for Fall of 2026 ➤ Curriculog will open in August for 2027 courses ➤ All Enhanced Gen Ed courses that were not approved will be on a teach out for a year or so | |
| Additional Updates- Faculty Council Chair and Vice Chair | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nominations for the Dean's Awards deadline March 7, 2025, Applications will be reviewed at the end of March. ➤ Spring Assembly online and in person. | |
| New Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ | |
| Next Meeting(s) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tuesday, April 8, 2024 (1:30 - 3:30 pm) | |
| Adjourn | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm. | |