



**CBCS Faculty Council Minutes**

Monday, February 16, 2026  
10:00–10:44 AM

**Attendees:**

Mateus Santos (CCJ); Daniel Meng (SAS); Sandra Fogel (SSW); Heather Zerger (CFS); Kathryn Johnson (CSD)

**Guests:**

Dean Julie Serovich; Associate Dean Jennifer Lister; Associate Dean for Research Stephanie Marhefka-Day; Curriculum Committee Debra Mowery

Topic	Discussion	Action
Dean’s Report: Dr. Julie Serovich	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New USF President, Moez Limayen, starts tomorrow, February 17.</li> <li>• USF Sarasota-Manatee/New College deal on pause.</li> <li>• H-1B Visas- still getting clarity and will discuss further with Department Chairs.</li> </ul>	
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Report: Dr. Jennifer Lister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fifteen to 16 tenure and promotion (T&amp;P) applications. Workshops will be held early March.</li> <li>• Four post-tenure reviews at the Provost level.</li> <li>• Four mid-tenure reviews with the college committee.</li> <li>• Upcoming T&amp;P review committee will require at least three full professors.</li> <li>• One upcoming study abroad program (USF London). Looking into enrollment requirements moving forward, given the two cancelled programs.</li> <li>• Some issues with simple syllabus on the dashboard. Addressing errors with some pre-populated items.</li> </ul>	Heather will reach out to previous committee members to determine their future service.

	Summer course planners were updated.	
Associate Dean for Research Report: Dr. Stephanie Marhefka-Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued progress with proposals. Communicate with Dr. Marhefka-Day if support is needed.</li> </ul>	
Curriculum Committee: Dr. Debra Mowery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a college, 67 proposals have been approved.</li> <li>Items in simple syllabus (e.g., course purpose, SLOs) must match what is in Banner.</li> <li>Committee is creating a “cheat sheet” for the department and college levels.</li> <li>Curriculum will open again in Fall 2026.</li> </ul>	
Faculty Council Updates: Dr. Heather Zerger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarified requirements for Outstanding Faculty Research Award.</li> </ul>	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	
Previous Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Need to approve November 2025 minutes at the next meeting.</i></li> </ul>	
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday, March 16, 2026; 10:00–11:30 AM</li> </ul>	