

Faculty Center Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2020

In attendance: Camilla Ambivero, Sue Bauer, Michele Bozarth, Bruce Caulkin, Jason Chesnut, Dennis Filler, Will Dorner, Patty Farless, Linda Futch, Christine Hanlon, Ethan Hill, Denise Kay, Pieter Kik, Vicki Lavendol, Hank Lewis, Eric Main, Adam Meyer, Adele Richardson, Danny Seigler, Michael Strawser, Barbara Tierney, Jacqueline Towson, Lisa Wayte

- I. Welcome and introductions
Ann Miller began the virtual meeting at 3:02 pm. She welcomed everyone to the Fall Advisory Board meeting.
- II. Approve Minutes
Minutes from the February 15, 2020 meeting were approved by Linda Futch and seconded by Patty Farless with full approval of the board.
- III. Election of New Chair
Denise Kay was elected as the 2020/2021 Advisory Board Chair with full approval of the board.
- IV. Faculty Center Staffing Updates
Ann informed everyone that the Faculty Center was down by 2 programming staff. Christine went to Global; Masha went to the University of Southern Mississippi and Julie went full time to Chemistry. We have brought on three Faculty Fellows for one-year positions. They include Michael Strawser, Christine Hanlon and Patty Farless.
- V. Reports
 - a. Summer Workshop
Ann reported that the 2020 Summer Workshop was cancelled due to the University going completely remote. We conducted a fully online event instead. The event was 5 days with both synchronous and asynchronous sessions. A total of 140 individuals applied and 72 were accepted. Given the circumstances the workshop was a success.
Ann also reported that two years ago the first workshop had 35 attendees.
 - b. Instructor Lecturer Promotion Community
Ann asked that due to time constraints this agenda item be tabled for now. There were no objections.
 - c. New Faculty Orientation
Eric explained that Faculty Excellence has moved mostly over to Faculty Excellence. He further reported that this year preorientation had 20 participants while main orientation had 50.

- d. **GTA Programming**

Eric reported that UCF hires approximately 850 GTA's per year. There are several programs. In August there were 3 separate workshops with a total of 120 people.

Eric also reported on PTF (Preparing Tomorrow's Future). This semester classes will be once per week with a mixed mode and he will be co-teaching with Patty. They will receive transcript recognition as a zero-credit course. A total of 65 individuals applied while we only have room for 40.

The question arose that there seem to be issues with GTA's being untrained. Is there a way that we can require training? Eric explained that the economics at UCF do not currently allow for it to be required but we can try an advocate for this.
- e. **Teaching and Learning Days**

Will provided a slide showing a summary of the numbers for Teaching and Learning days so far this year. It showed how the numbers for Teaching and Learning days have increased since the move to remote programming. Will explained that the numbers in October were included due to hosting Technology Tuesdays each Tuesday instead of one Teaching and Learning day during the month.
- f. **Knighthood Faculty Cohort**

Eric explained that this was the inaugural year for this program. There were 12 members who started at the summer workshop. They continued to meet during the summer and will have a total of 3 meetings this fall, 3 in the spring along with teaching squares during the spring semester. The program will culminate with a Knighthood Faculty celebration in the spring. Patty expressed that this is a great program and that the teaching squares will be an amazing experience.
- g. **Semester-long Faculty Development Cohorts**
- h. **Adjunct Initiatives**
- i. **Winter Conference 2020**

Ann asked that due to time constraints these agenda items be tabled for now. There were no objections.
- j. **Sandbox Update**

Will stated that there were no updates
- k. **Consultants**

Eric stated that there were no updates
- l. **Collaborations with other units**

Eric stated that there were no new updates

VI. University Excellence Awards Selection Committee

Eric stated that the committee will meet in late January and he will reach out to everyone once he has everything. The deadline for applications to be submitted to us is January 25, 2021 and they will be available for review shortly after that.

VII. Open Discussion

Ann spoke about how much remote programming do we consider retaining once we return to campus. She explained that remote programming is great for those that are not on campus because of the flexibility. This would provide the opportunity to live stream, produce recordings and do face to face events. This is a great option.

Michael spoke about measuring the impact and implementation of doing the events this way. He is interested in ideas on how to measure the classroom impact of what FCTL does and asked that you email him with your ideas.

VIII. Announcement/Reminders

Michele invited everyone to FCTL's virtual Halloween party on October 27th at 4pm. We will be having games and a showcase of pumpkin decorating. Everyone is encouraged to wear your best Halloween costume.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03pm.