

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
FACULTY ASSEMBLY
AGENDA
March 2, 2018**

2:00 p.m.

Kinard Auditorium

- I. Approval of minutes** from January 12, 2018 Ginger Williams
 - i. *Unanimous approval* See [appendix 1](#)

- II. Report from CAS Committees**
 - a. **Curriculum Committee** Jessie Hamm
 - i. *Unanimous approval of proposed changes* See [appendix 2](#)

 - b. **Nominating & Rules Committee** Dustin Hoffman
 - i. *Elections for 2018-19 faculty governance positions (Voting will be done electronically via a Qualtrics survey. The survey link will be sent to your Winthrop email account by 5pm on Friday, March 2, and the survey will close at 5pm on Monday, March 5.)*

- III. Old Business- none initiated**

- IV. New Business**
 - a. *Academic Freedom & Tenure Committee update Ginger Williams
Faculty were reminded of upcoming town hall meetings to hear and provide feedback.*
 - b. *Plans to bring on the position of an ombud to handle conflict and provide a confidential space for discussions was presented. The position is in place in 200+ other academic institutions across the US to provide an informal, confidential space for discussion (not advocacy). The ombud would serve faculty and staff. No concerns were voiced regarding the development of this position.*

- V. Announcements**
 - Tina Vires announced a new monthly award the “Accessibility Advocate” which was awarded to Gregory Oakes. He was provided a statue of Batman to keep for one month.*
 - Wanda Koszewski reminded faculty of March as National Nutrition Month.*

- VI. Dean’s Remarks** Takita Sumter
 - Dean Sumter congratulated CAS faculty on ninety-eight percent of interim grades were submitted by CAS faculty before the deadline. Dean’s candidate survey is open and faculty were encouraged to provide feedback. An anonymous donor has provided support for a CAS enrichment fund and challenged matching donations. Melissa Reeves was chosen as the keynote speaker by the governor to address safety in schools. Several faculty members have been awarded grants, e.g. Karen Kedrowski, Matthew Stern, and Hye-Sung Kim.*

- VII. Adjournment 2:45pm**

Note: Quorum (35% of full-time faculty) is 50 faculty members. The minimum attendance to do business (20% of full-time faculty) is 28 faculty members.

Appendix 1

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
FACULTY ASSEMBLY
MINUTES
January 12, 2018**

2:00 p.m.

Kinard Auditorium

- I. Approval of minutes** from October 20, 2017 Ginger Williams
 - i. *Unanimous approval*

- II. Report from CAS Committees**
 - a. **Curriculum Committee** Jessie Hamm
 - i. *Unanimous approval of proposed changes*

- III. Old Business-** none initiated

- IV. New Business-** Resolution brought the floor to address recent national political remarks made regarding certain non-US geographic areas..... Ginger Williams
Resolution wording discussed and modified. After discussion and changes the resolution were unanimously passed and the resolution/statement will be further forwarded Faculty Conference to be presented University wide.

- V. Announcements**
 - a. Bachelor of Professional Studies program update..... M. Gregory Oakes
Overview was provided regarding historical overview of development, strategic plan, national trends, market opportunity, degree completion interests, local statistics and data, major local employers, unique challenges for the post-traditional student, Winthrop's BPS advantage. The new program will be housed in interdisciplinary studies in CAS. Zach Abernathy provided an overview for methods developed to assess prior learning. Amanda and Katarina provided an overview on core classes and focus. Some discussion of other students wanting to transfer to the program were initiated by faculty and the differences between the degree awarded in the BPS and a traditional BA or BS were outlined as well as the different entrance criteria (e.g. 60 hrs associate degree work, 25 age minimum requirement).

- VI. Dean's Remarks** Takita Sumter
CAS enrollment is up, WU enrollment is overall steady. Ongoing work and strategic initiatives (students, programs, facilities, technology, faculty, faculty recruitment, retention, searches, sabbaticals). Sabbatical applications will be coming in March- expect to see email. Research council forms will need to go to chairs by 1/22, Dean by 1/24, and SPAR by 1/29. Updated/modifications to forms, review process, for research council grants will be coming from SPAR. College travel funds due by 1/30. Robert Prickett is looking for mentors for 2nd year faculty that are outside of 2nd year faculty member's departments. Overall remarks encouraging faculty to continue their good work.

- VII. Adjournment** 3:29pm.

Appendix 2

CAS Curriculum Committee Report for Faculty Assembly February 23, 2018 meeting

1. The following course actions were approved:

- a. Department of Biology
 - i. Modify course: BIOL 405, Freshwater Ecology

- b. Department of Interdisciplinary Studies
 - i. New course: PFST 301, Introduction to Professional Studies
 - ii. New course: PFST 302, Human Relations, Leadership, and Teamwork
 - iii. New course: PFST 303, Applied Critical Thinking
 - iv. New course: PFST 401, Professional Identity and Development
 - v. New course: PFST 402, Globalization and Diversity in the Workplace
 - vi. New course: PFST 495, Professional Studies Capstone Seminar

- c. Department of Mathematics
 - i. Modify course: MAED 548, Secondary Math Curriculum and Pedagogy Issues
 - ii. Modify course: MATH 201, Calculus I
 - iii. Modify course: MATH 202, Calculus II
 - iv. Modify course: MATH 300, Linear Algebra
 - v. Modify course: MATH 310, Mathematical Reasoning

- d. Department of Mass Communication
 - i. New course: MCOM 304, Intercultural Communication

- e. Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies
 - i. Modify course: RELG 102, Biblical Greek I
 - ii. Modify course: RELG 103, Biblical Greek II

- f. Department of Sociology, Criminology, & Anthropology
 - i. Modify course: ANTH 321, Cultures of Latin America
 - ii. Modify course: ANTH 341, Ethnography and Fieldwork
 - iii. Modify course: ANTH 345, Field Work in Archaeology

- g. Department of World Languages & Cultures
 - i. New course: FREN 220, Fairy Tales, Songs, and Comics
 - ii. New course: FREN 471, Academic Internship in French
 - iii. New course: FREN 472, Academic Internship in French
 - iv. New course: FREN 473, Academic Internship in French
 - v. New course: GERM 471, Academic Internship in German
 - vi. New course: GERM 472, Academic Internship in German
 - vii. New course: GERM 473, Academic Internship in German
 - viii. New course: MLAN 360, Topics in Comparative Culture
 - ix. New course: SPAN 471, Academic Internship in Spanish
 - x. New course: SPAN 472, Academic Internship in Spanish
 - xi. New course: SPAN 473, Academic Internship in Spanish

2. The following program actions were approved:

- a. Department of Chemistry
 - i. Modify program: BS-CHEM-CHBU
 - ii. Modify program: BS-CHEM-FORC
 - iii. Modify program: BS-CHEM-ACSP
 - iv. Modify program: BS-CHEM-PHYS

- b. Department of Interdisciplinary Studies
 - i. New program: BPS-PFST
 - ii. Modify program: BA-IDVS

- c. Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies
 - i. Modify program: MINOR-RELG

3. The following blanket petitions were approved:

- d. Department of Biology
 - i. For the BS-BIOL, BS-BIOL-CSST, BS-BIOL-MTEC, BS-BIOL-BMRS, and BS-BIOL-CNSV, in all catalogs, allow BIOL 301X (Natural History of the Carolina Piedmont) to count toward Area A of the major requirements.
 - ii. For the BS-BIOL (all tracks), in all catalogs, allow GEOG 305 (Introduction to GIS) to count toward Area D of the major requirements.

- e. Department of Mass Communication
 - i. For the BS-IMC, in the 2016-17 catalog, change the number of hours required for the major to 63-66 (rather than 64-66).

- f. Department of Political Science
 - i. For the BA-PLSC, in all catalogs, allow PLSC 390/390H or HONR 234, when taught as “Does Voting Matter in the US”, to count toward the American Politics subfield within the major requirements.
 - ii. For the BA-PLSC, in all catalogs, allow PLSC 390/390H or PHIL 350/350H, when taught as “Philosophy and Political Theory of Money”, to count toward the Political Theory subfield within the major requirements.
 - iii. For the BA-PLSC, in all catalogs, allow PLSC 510, when taught as “Campaign Management and Political Communication”, to count toward the American Politics subfield within the major requirements.
 - iv. For the BA-PLSC, in all catalogs, allow PLSC 510, when taught as “Energy, Security, and the Environment”, to count toward the International Relations subfield within the major requirements.
 - v. For the BA-PLSC, in all catalogs, allow PLSC 510, when taught as “Comparative Intersectional Feminisms”, to count toward the Comparative Politics subfield within the undergraduate major requirements.

- g. Department of World Languages & Cultures
 - i. For the BA-MLAN-SPAN, in all catalogs, allow SPAN 325X (taught in Fall 2015) to satisfy the Civilization requirement (ordinarily satisfied by SPAN 421 or 422).