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CARTA Faculty Assembly Meeting April 28, 2015

Respectfully submitted by N Temple, Secretary of the CARTA Assembly

Attendance List:

Office of the Dean

Present	Absent
B. Schriner (Dean, Non-voting member)	L. Silverio-Minaya (Assistant Dean, Non-voting member)
	A. Drisin (Associate Dean, Non-voting member)
	J. Stuart (Associate Dean, Non-voting member)

Architecture

Present	Absent
S. Vassigh	A. Andia
J. Canaves	M. Benjamin
J. Chandler (Dept Chair, Non-voting member)	C. Busch
G. Read	E. Goldemberg
	M. Marine
	N. Gelpi
	M. Rice
	C. Rosales
	T. Spiegelhalter
	S. Vassigh
	N. Nedev
	D. Rifkind
	E. Peterson
	M. Nepomechie
	W. Newman

Interior Architecture

Present	Absent
P. Abbott	J. King (Chair, Non-voting member)
S. Boehn	S. Sherman
K. Rothfield	

Landscape Architecture

Present	Absent
E. Ozer	J. Bueno
R. Rovira (Dept Chair, Non-voting member)	J. Rogers-Pomaville
	J. Ibarra
	G. Feoli
	F. Diez
	G. Valdez
	M. Canaves

Music

Present	Absent
J. Ousley	B. Alston
K. Wilson	M. Aliapoulios
	B. Bernhardt
	J. Calloway
	G. Campbell
	R. Davidovici
	D. Dolata
	J. Garland
	M. Orta
	J. Sudol
	K. Gekic
	J. Hacker
	M. Klotz
	J. Lopez
	G. Nowak
	M. Ozgen
	P. Schmidt
	R. Dundas
	M. Littley
	O. Garcia (Dept Chair, Non-Voting
	Member)
	M. Vitenson
	C. Benedict

Theater

Present	Absent
	D. Dolata
	R. Covey
	C. Goslin
	M. Skow (Dept Chair, Non-Voting Member)

P. Church
M. Yawney
D. Mitan
M. Pareja
W. Robinson
L. Timlick
T. Galaska
J. Dreikosen

Art & Art History

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Present	Absent
	T. Arpad-Cotta
	P. Brant
	R. Buckley
	W. Burke
	K. Dambach
	C. Damian
	A. Patel
	M. Gomez
	C. King
	W. Maguire
	J. Martinez
	M. Namkung
	M. Tommerup
	C. Torres
	B. Watts
	G. Schnarnagl
	C. Tiffany
	M. del Valle
	E. del Valle
	D. London
	L. Yi
	J. Kolasinski (Dept. Chair, Non-voting
	member)
	B. Watts
	D. Guernsey

Communication Arts

Present	Absent
N. Temple	J. Brown (Dept. Chair, Non-voting Member)
N. Bilge	M. Marino
T. Lakin	D Blaeuer
N. Desrayaud	C. Montero
L. Webb	

Chair's Agenda:

- I. Approval of minutes from CARTA Assembly meeting Spring, 2013
- II. Dean's Report Dean Brian Schriner
- III. Faculty Senate Chair Report
- IV. Elections
 - a. Faculty Senators
 - b. Undergraduate Council
 - c. CARTA Chair
- V. CARTA Awards Proposal

MEETING COMMENCED at 3:15pm

- I. Approval of minutes from CARTA Assembly meeting Spring, 2013
 - a. Motion: B. Watts
 - **b.** Second: N. Desrayeud
 - c. Discussion: No discussion
 - d. Vote: Unanimous
 - e. Resolution: Minutes approved

II. Dean's Report – Dean Brian Schriner

- **a.** The new provost wants to work more closely with the Faculty Senate, in part due to Kathleen's high involvement in Dean meetings
- **b.** His office has been working on the 20/20 plan for a while, but did not want to release it before the university plan because they want it to align closely with the university plan.
- **c.** We are unique in our mission in vision due to the departments we're integrating and the city we're in.
- **d.** We are beginning to see our programs nationally recognized.
- e. Dean Schriner discussed each goal of the 20/20 plan in depth.
- **f.** One goal is to be a major voice in the STEM to STEAM conversations
- **g.** One issue we have to deal with is salary compression where new hired faculty are coming in making more money than existing faculty.
- h. Dean Schriner is against preeminent programs getting more money because they serve different populations, and aren't easily comparable. However, it's still part of the university plan, and we have to deal with it. The provost is aware of his arguments against this funding program.
- i. We are the highest Return on Investment college in the university, but are not as high up on the rankings for getting grant money.
- **j.** If anyone has any concerns, he wishes people to let him know by mid-May so they can possibly make adjustments as necessary.
- **k.** Current provost wants to push towards hybrid (70% in class/30% online or more) classes in the next several years

- I. President wants to go to 65000 enrollment, but to increase online programs across the university. Of that number, 26000 students will be online. The number of students on campus will remain stable at about 43000.
- **m.** For CARTA, very few programs can actually be fully online due to the nature of the artistic courses.
- **n.** He proposed that we come up with a mechanism for meeting more than twice a year.
- **o.** FIU will get our "report card" on how we score on the state's metrics sometime in June.

III. Faculty Senate Chair Report by Faculty Senate Chair Kathleen Wilson

- **a.** Dean's 20/20 plan is well aligned with the strategic plan of the university
- **b.** Suggestions for units regarding the plan
 - 1. Metrics apply all the way down to the units, including 5% budget cut.
 - 2. Advise incoming students to think like sophomores don't take any classes that don't apply to your major/graduation
 - 3. Continue to track student employment after graduation
 - 4. New provost is pushing grants, so improve grant acquisition
 - 5. Engaged scholarship is a new category in the plan and P&T documents. It is something that CARTA can readily move to be successful in.
 - 6. Provost wants incoming students to have a weighted GPA of 4.0 and SAT scores of 1800 or higher. Departments should consider that when admitting students.
 - 7. Departments should improve mentorship for faculty and students.
- c. New Faculty Senate initiatives.
 - 1. Committees now give their reports in the Senate
 - 2. Good social opportunities
 - 3. PC 225 is now good for small committee meetings if you schedule them
 - 4. There is a renewed focus on faculty governance and student success.
 - 5. Kathleen offers her services to help faculty in any ways they need with regards with interfacing with the broader university and administration
 - She encourages everyone to consider being a senator to have a voice, to be known by those in administration, and to be involved. It also gives people exposure to a lot of information regarding the university.
- **d.** Provost announced just today that he wants to open a support office just for hybrid courses

IV. Elections

- a. Faculty Senators
 - 1. Joann Brown nominated

- 2. Phillip Church nominated
- 3. Jaime Canaves nominated
- 4. Shahin Vassigh nominated
- **5.** Gray Read nominated for alternate
- **6.** Nurhayat Bilge nominated for alternate

b. Graduate Council

- 1. David Rifkind nominated
- c. Undergraduate Council
 - 1. Karen Fuller nominated
- d. CARTA Chair
 - **1.** Gray Read nominated
- **e.** We did not have a quorum, so G. Read said we will put the election online.

V. Initiative to improve student spaces moving forward.

a. G. Read said there is a already a competition underway called the Emerging Architect's Competition for the rooftop space on PCA.

VI. CARTA Awards Proposal by Lynne Web

- **a.** Proposal for two teaching award, one research award, and one service award annually.
- **b.** Every CARTA faculty member is eligible regardless of rank, as long as they have been at FIU for at least three years
- **c.** We'd want to start a new standing committee to manage the award nominations and distribution
- **d.** Dean Schriner said the Dean's office would put up some cash for the awards.
- **e.** No self nominations, but you can be nominated by a colleague.
- **f.** Committee notifies nominated candidate, who then prepares the application packet.
- **g.** There are only two other colleges at FIU that do this, so we would be ahead of that curve.
- **h.** Lynne did research into other universities, and many do have awards like this. It is not an unusual program to have in place, and there are models to work with.
- i. These awards can set faculty up to get awards at the university level.
- **j.** G. Read called for an unofficial poll for support. There was unanimous support for the program to move forward.
- **k.** There is a fund called Discretionary Money that deans have access to that is 1% of the salary of all faculty members for things like awards and retention and things like that may be good for this program.

VII. Adjournment

- a. Motion: J. Canaves
- **b.** Second: N. Temple
- c. Vote: Unanimous
- d. Resolution: Motion Passes

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:55pm