

Arts and Sciences Chairs' Council Meeting Minutes 3/17/14

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Present: Bruce Mattingly, Scott Anderson, Seth Asumah, David Barclay, Kathleen Burke, Peter Ducey, Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, Timothy Gerhard, Herbert Haines, Isa Jubran, Kathryn Kramer, Matthew Lessig, David Neal, Jerome O'Callaghan, Judith Ouellette, Gregory Phelan, Brice Smith, Henry Steck, Randi Storch, Paul van der Veur.

Guest: Alexandru Balas

Announcements:

- Fine Teaching Development Award: applications due today to Faculty Dev. Center.
- Mid-term estimates and final 3rd quarter grades close on March 18 at 4 p.m.
- 2014 Student Leadership Awards: nominations due to Campus Activities by March 19.
- A&S Curriculum Committee election: nominations due to the Dean by Friday, April 4.
- The President's Office has organized the Dedication of Bowers at 11:00 a.m. on April 25, 2014. There is some overlap with Transformations.
- There will be a similar event in the fall for Dowd.
- New Salary Guidelines are out – chairs should have it in its revised form.
- SUNY Faculty Senate is doing a survey of all SUNY grad students.
- GE final draft likely early next week.
- Summer advisors are needed – the deadline has been extended.
- Brooks lecture this week – students are presenting.
- Africana Studies: New York meeting is coming in April.
- The Dowd Exhibit opens this week.

Topics Discussed:

- Faculty Searches – Chemistry, Communications are in good shape. The Economics search was successful. English has one hire, on in process. The Math search was successful. Physics has one offer out and one in the wings. There is a good chance of 100% hiring in searches. Send requests for next year's searches to the Dean, now.

Dean's Office:

- Room availability: we are close to solving issues for overbooked slots. Looking for volunteers is a good opening ploy, but more will be needed. Adjunct faculty have tight schedules; can't always remember that Beard is an option.

- College reapplication to Carnegie Community Engagement. Bruce needs responses to this question. Are there department level policies regarding promotion and tenure that reference scholarly work on CE?
- Lots of vacancies in the Faculty Senate. See today's emails.
- Regarding Carnegie Service – “work with Community” is in the Handbook as of last year, as an example of service.

Concerns Raised:

- Andy F. – Vice Chair of Senate is vacant now. We need someone in line to be the chair. A senior faculty member is preferable.

Other: none