## Academic Assembly

October 3, 2016 2:05 – 3:35pm, STCN 130

## <u>MINUTES</u>

Present: Sarah Bee, Rick Block, Terri Clark, Brooke Coleman, Carlos de Mello e Souza, Bob Dullea, Theresa Earenfight, Kate Koppelman, Chuck Lawrence, Vivane Lopuch, Agnieszka Miguel, David Neel, Michael Ng, Trung Pham SJ, Frank Shih, John Strait, Charles Tung, Ashli Tyre, Dan Washburn, Braden Wild

- I. Review of 9-26-16 Minutes
  - Α.
- II. AcA Representative for Core Assessment Committee
- A. Charles Tung (approved at last meeting) is unable to serve, Tracey Pepper will serve
- III. Provost Convocation Discussion
  - A. Priorities for the Year
    - 1. Discussion of safe spaces, trigger warnings, academic freedom, etc.
      - a. AcA may be one place to hold these discussions
      - b. What is the academic dialogue?
      - c. How should these conversations take place?
    - 2. Evaluation of administrators
    - 3. Financial transparency
  - B. Discussion
    - 1. First step with safe spaces discussion should be to find out where these discussions are already happening on campus and invite those parties into dialogue, including students
    - 2.

- 1. Interdisciplinary undergraduate program with specializations in ecological systems, policy and justice, urban sustainability, and environmental education/communication
- 2. Robust program with good enrollment
- 3. External reviewer approved of program, especially robust capstone project

- 1. Four year program designed for working professionals, 138 credit hours
  - a. Builds upon the existing Master's School Psychology curriculum in College of Education
  - b. Terminal degree requiring one additional year of curriculum
  - c. Curriculum is distinct from the Counseling program
- 2. Program has already obtained external accreditation from state board, will apply for national accreditation once approved
- 3. External market analysis projected well
- 4. Needs two additional full time clinical positions
- 5. Hybrid program with 30-79% of material online
- 6. Projected start date was pushed to summer 2018 to accommodate shifting faculty positions
- B. Discussion
  - 1. Motion to approve proposal
  - 2. Concerning that one person leaving affected the program so much
  - 3. Approved with no oppositions or abstentions
- VII. Priorities for Year
  - A. President's address on Friday announced decision to appeal the Union vote with the Supreme Court
    - 1. Several AcA members and dozens of constituents are very concerned with the university decision and financial implication of the ongoing legal A c (n) 2 6 . 0 0 1 T w