

Department of Dance All Faculty Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 15, 2020 12:30 pm- 1:20 p.m.

Zoom:

<https://washington.zoom.us/j/96995225936?pwd=SndXTzZCc3ExZFNxTDNvL2sxVlITQT09>

Meeting ID: 969 9522 5936

Passcode: 914778

In attendance: Christina Sunardi, Peter Bracilano, Alana Isiguen, Juliet McMains, Rachael Lincoln, Rujeko Dumbutshena, Jennifer Salk, Hannah Wiley, Kelly Canaday, student

Faculty Updates/Announcements

- Christina reminded all of COVID-19 protocols, including attesting health on WorkDay before coming to campus, face coverings, physical distancing, cleaning protocols, and staying home when sick, showing symptoms of COVID-19, or testing positive for COVID-19
- Christina introduced the undergraduate representative
- Christina encouraged faculty to spend a few minutes during class to acknowledge the stress that students (undergraduate and graduate) may be feeling around the election; point to mental health resources on campus; send email with these resources or point to on course syllabus/Canvas website if not already there; can use the email I sent about this

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- 9/28 meeting minutes
5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain
- 9/29 meeting minutes
 - 4 yes, 0 No, 2 abstain

Chair's Report

- Following up on Retention Policy
 - Christina discussed with faculty the Department of Dance's internal process for deciding whether the department wants to ask for a retention or not
 - A discussion of what retention means ensued

- Was decided that the Chair should bring the matter to the entire voting faculty of all ranks, minus the person who is the subject of the retention discussion
- Christina will write up the department's policy, specifying that the department will use the College of Arts and Sciences policy and that we'll have the Chair bring the matter of retention to the entire voting faculty of all ranks, minus the person who is the subject of the retention discussion; will acknowledge that the final decision resides with the Dean as to whether or not the College will provide funds for the retention
- Once the Dance Faculty votes and approves, Christina will send a copy to Divisional Dean of the Arts Catherine Cole and keep a copy in the department
- Update on Administrator search
 - Jen, Kelly and Christina will be interviewing 3 candidates early next week
 - Plan is to provide opportunities for the rest of the faculty to also be involved in the interview process for any candidate(s) who move forward after next week's interviews

Faculty Topics

- *UW Dance Presents Concert*
 - Alana provided an update on planning
 - Plan is for the digital evening to happen in January or February of 2021
 - Discussed potential uses of different sources of funds in connection with the concert
 - Will dedicate next week's faculty meeting to discussing more details of this and other concerts
 - Related to *UW Dance Presents*, the faculty agreed that having workshops featuring local artists as guest teachers who would also make work for the concert would be a good idea
 - After further discussion, the faculty agreed that having the workshops during regularly scheduled classes but open them to anyone interested in attending would be a good way to foster attendance at the workshops
 - Should also have workshops given by local artists who are not creating work for *UW Dance Presents*
- Setting up alumni network (Juliet)

[Skipped this item due to time; will move this item to a future meeting]

- Setting up a curriculum committee or subcommittee (Juliet)
 - Juliet presented the need for a curriculum committee and the faculty agreed
 - Faculty agreed that this committee will bring recommended changes in curriculum, including changes to individual courses, to the entire voting faculty of all ranks for discussion and approval before submitting a proposal for a change
 - Was decided for Juliet to chair, will be joined by Alana and Jen
 - Will call this the Curriculum Committee, rather than “subcommittee”
 - Will designate all of our subcommittees as committees, e.g.:
 - B.A. Revision Committee, Diversity Committee, Dance-specific Tenure and Promotion Guidelines Development Committee

Departmental Updates/Announcements

- October 16th Zoom lunch event, 12:00-12:30

Agenda items for future meetings

- Approval of 10/15 faculty meeting minutes
- Focus our 10/22 meeting on Dance concert planning for the next two years
- For 10/29 or a November meeting, discuss alumni network ideas