

Department of Dance All Faculty Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 11, 2021 ~ 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm

Zoom:

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Present: Christina Sunardi, Dan Dembiczak, Juliet McMains, Jennifer Salk, Student, Peter Bracilano, Rachael Lincoln, Benjamin White, Hannah Wiley, Paul Moore, Alana Isiguen, Rujeko Dumbutshan

- Faculty Updates/Announcements
 - Reminder of COVID-19 protocols
 - Very impressive student evaluations from Autumn Quarter! Everyone is working really hard in an adaptive environment.

- Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - Approval of minutes from 1/28 faculty meeting
 - Motion to approve minutes. Motion to second. 5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

- Chair's Report
 - COVID update: possibility of increased enrollment limits in Fall. Still uncertain, but hopeful. Capacity will be largely dependent on what phase we are in for re-opening. Conversations around vaccine requirements and tracking of students happening now. Current capacity limits for most indoor activity is 25%. Our enrollment limits are in line with this limit. To increase to 50% capacity, we'd need community transmission to reduce.
 - Performances with live audiences - possibility is currently there at 25% capacity with a cap at 200 (indoors). If we wanted to host a concert with an audience, we'd still need to take a lot into consideration in terms of staffing, feasibility, financials, etc.

- Faculty Topics
 - Update on Kawasaki Guest Artist Program plans (Jen)
 - Ron K. Brown - he was going to come in Autumn 2020 but we postponed his residency due to COVID. Hoping/planning to host him in Autumn 2021. Calendar dates are in flux. Plans to be here 4-5 weeks total spread out over the autumn quarter. Jen will be the organizer of this visit. He can come classes; will also do 1-2 community master classes (on weekends) and give a talk. Will set a work, although the performance of it might need to be streamed, depending on COVID restrictions.

- Undergraduate Research Symposium (Juliet)
 - Annual event, every May. Students present on their research.
 - Virtual event both last year and this year
 - Deadline for students to apply is 2/24.
 - Faculty can encourage students to apply. Great opportunity for students to showcase the research we do in dance.
- Update on Black History Month Project
 - First feature is live on the website and looking forward to next month's feature.
- Departmental Updates/Announcements
 - Alana - MFA concert
 - Plan is to follow the same digital format as UWDP and DMC.
 - Questions for the faculty:
 - Are we comfortable with grads enrolling in the MFA concert course, do the work, but not present it on the MFA concert?
 - Faculty agree yes.
 - Is it okay for the 2nd year grads to opt out of the requirement to choreograph?
 - Faculty agree yes, given this time of COVID
 - Re: Potential retreat with Linda Callecod to revise mission, vision and values statements:
 - If we have it in June, it would still need to be on Zoom (perhaps two half-day sessions). Or we could postpone to Fall and possibly have it in person. If we postpone, we would need to ask for an extension on the funds that would be used to cover the costs of the retreat.
 - There is a lot of support for postponing to Fall so that we can all meet in person.
 - Planning meeting next Thursday, 2/18/21 to talk about B.A. revision, focus on dance studies courses
- Agenda Items for Future Meetings
(not specified)