**FAC Meeting Minutes**

**September 27, 2022**

**2:00 pm**

<https://tamu.zoom.us/j/95325697028>

1. **Introductions to Committee Members**

- Members in attendance: Cheryl Craig, Andrew Kwok; Marica Montague; Michael Thornton; Jean Madsen, Idean Ettekal, Fred Nafukho (and visit by Dean De Miranda)

1. **Charge of the Committee and More—Dr. Nafukho**

- The charge of FAC is to represent the voices, perspectives and concerns of our Faculty from our respective departments.

1. **Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting**
2. **Visit from Dean De Miranda—~~2:30-2:50 pm~~ (2:00-2:20)**

- FAC members should solicit and identify questions that can be asked to President Banks during her visit with SEHD (on 10/6). This approach will allow for a more inclusive process and facilitate a discussion if questions are not raised by faculty in attendance at the Town Hall.

- Some potential questions were discussed for inclusion in the list.

- SEHD is developing a new initiative (the Faculty Learning and Enhancement Fellows Program). The guidelines for this initiative are currently being developed and reviewed by SEHD leadership and will be shared with FAC once ready. This is an SEHD initiative (not university wide) and will be geared towards supporting faculty who focus on the scholarship of teaching and learning in undergraduate education. While this initiative is not exclusive only to APT faculty, it will support their teaching mission.

1. **Idean Ettekal will serve as Co-Chair; Andrew Kwok will be TLAC’s second representative**
2. **Interfolio 180 Updates**

- Nicole Parker has set up open hours to provide support and guidance to faculty who are in the process of making updates to F180. Guidelines and tips for making updates have been shared with all departments. FAC members are encouraged to inform faculty in their respective departments about these open hours.

- One helpful feature of F180 is that it can be used to set up NIH/NSF formatted CVs for grant submissions.

1. **Department Updates**

-EAHR (5 new faculty positions for this academic year; questions and concerns raised about the financial impacts of the relocation of the Technology Management program to Engineering; this program had over 200 students)

- EPSY (new interim department head Jeffrey Liew; 2 new associate department heads; 3 new faculty positions have been approved; 7 new faculty started in Fall 2022)

-KNSM (new interim department head; previous DH left with relocation of health education program to public health; transitions in progress with some labs; questions and concerns regarding space allocations; health education program lost about 1200 students)

- TLAC (new interim department head; new program leads in multi-cultural program and STEM; new chairs in graduate and undergraduate affairs; 4 new faculty searches waiting for approval as well as reposting of Hispanic scholar that was not filled from last year; 2 new positions in early childhood education)

- 4 ACES positions (1 for each department)

- 17 faculty positions are currently open across SEHD (3 positions in EPSY have been already approved at the university level; all other positions awaiting final approval)

**8. FAC-sponsored Event/s (Speaker, Coffee Hour, etc.)**

- Discussed options for potential events; FAC members encouraged to come up with ideas; potential idea of a speaker event could be to invite Dr. Gloria Ladsen Billings (who is currently Hagler Fellow); could do ice-cream social

**9. New Business**

- Question raised about why there is a large turnover in faculty and staff this year (SEHD Faculty Affairs has solicited questions from recent staff turnovers; exit interviews for faculty resignations are handled by Office of Faculty Affairs)

- Regarding the questions that have been raised about the financial implications of the relocation of programs that are no longer part of SEHD, FAC discussed inviting the Jill Hobbs (Assistant Dean for Finance) to a future meeting.