Arts & Sciences Senate Meeting
September 16, 2019
Minutes

I. Approval of agenda: approved.

II. Approval of minutes: minutes are currently not available due to change in staffing over the summer.

III. President’s Report (P. Khost)
   ● Introduction of the current executive committee

IV. Report by Joanne Davila, Chair of Promotion and Tenure Committee
   ● The Promotion and Tenure Committee dropped proposed changes based on the following feedback
     1. It is the department’s prerogative to decide how to run their tenure process
     2. It prevents honest communication among faculty in the department
     3. It creates extra work for the department.
   ● Removing the Grandfather Clause 2442 is a contractual issue, so it remains as is.

Q&A determined that files turned in from this point on would be subject to new guidelines and that previously submitted files will not be held up by these changes.

Motion to approve proposed revisions: approved

V. Dean Shepson, SoMAS, on creating separate Promotion and Tenure Committee from CAS
   ● SoMAS has a diverse faculty whose tenure interests are better served by a committee who knows their specific needs and strengths.
   ● SoMAS is not trying to divorce themselves from CAS, only in appointing tenure.

Q&A acknowledged that other universities do have lower PTC, but SBU looks at the University as a whole in its PTC review. Concerns for issues of independence and conflict were raised. It was suggested that SoMAS could have their own PTC for an initial review before passing it on to the University PTC.

VI. Dean Sampson, CAS, on changing the name of the Institute Global Studies to the Institute for Globalization Studies
   ● Globalization Studies has been approved by Dean Sampson and will be launched fall 2020 to incorporate Globalization Studies and International Relations.
   ● Additionally wish to distinguish themselves from Global Studies
   ● Based on the same model as undergraduate Biology.

VII. Meeting adjourned