

## MAFS Meeting: SciTech 204 – April 24, 2019 (12:20 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.)

Call to order & Approval of March 2019 Minutes (posted on sites page)

- Motion made to approve & seconded; Many aye's in favor, none opposed, one abstained...

Election Results:

- Executive Board: Jacob Sawyer
- P&T: Peter Dendle (Jennifer Reilly Alternate)
- Teaching Faculty: Robin Yaure
- Note: NOT “Non-Tenure Track”!

University Faculty Senators: Report

- 4.5 hr meeting
- Discussion about campuses; not just MA to UP, but between campuses as well
  - Penn State 2025
    - Fears about own campus programs
    - 80% rule -> for common courses, 80% of material needs to be same regardless of campus
    - Real Estate investor & Board of Trustees
      - > graduated from a Commonwealth campus, so has personal experience
  - Penn State Health
  - Advising Scandal -> can't happen at PSU due to firewall between sports & admissions
  - Provost spoke a lot about 2025
  - Policy on Open Access passed
    - > Can publish in big journals, but try to have every paper available in open access, too
  - Study of rates of tenure between men & women -> difficulties with data
    - Equal rates for 2nd & 4th years, but men have higher rates for 6th year
    - Peter will include a link to the report
  - New officers: Nick Roland (from Altoona) is new chair
  - Look for more information soon in an e-mail summary

Guest Speakers:

- Admissions Update: Dr. A discussed slides on behalf of Diane (see slides)
  - Fall 2019 Recruitment Update plot (3 Year Comparison)
  - More applications, thanks to Common Application
    - Have 300+ offers- still awaiting decisions
    - 112 incomplete applications
  - What do we know about our fall 2019 applications?
  - Pie chart for applications recruitment regions
    - Brandywine area students have gone down (new residence halls)
  - Applicants accepting MA as 1st choice vs. wanting UP
  - Top 10 MA Region Schools: Chambersburg, Greencastle, Waynesboro...
  - Some discussion on stretch goals
    - Right now at 167
  - Challenges continue, but PSU is realizing that some different requirements are needed
    - Early to College rate to Scotland International students?
      - PSMA won't be charged to offer special rates anymore

- New Course Proposal: Julie (see slides)
  - Death, Dying, and Bereavement Care Certificate & Palliative Care and Bereavement Course
  - Mixture of 17 yrs of field experience & need for student familiarity with this topic
  - Unique learning opportunity for our students
  - True or False slide: T, T, F, T
  - Trend in PA: population of 60+ growing substantially
  - Vision is for our students to feel confident & comfortable to help
  - Goals, Learning Objectives
    - Preparing for silver tsunami
  - Relationship to PSMA Strategic Plan
  - Courses: PSYCH 100 or SOC 001, SOC 210Z, HDFS 210Z, NURS 464 or HDFS 448, HDFS 400 level Palliative Care & Bereavement
    - Palliative Care & Bereavement Course: Description & Learning objectives
    - SOC 210Z & HDFS 210Z at PSMA in Fall 2019, HDFS 400 will be at PSMA in Spring, HDFS 448 online via Brandywine (?)
      - SOC 210Z was just created last year & offered first recently at UP
  - Summary: 15 credits, for Allied Health, HDFS, PSYCH, HPA, LAS majors
  - Thoughts/Questions?
    - Could this be shaped into a minor? Would fit with a HDFS minor very well
    - Could be a stand-alone certificate for local clergy...
    - Perhaps see how certificate goes first before thinking about minor
    - Help younger health care workers to understand what it's like to be older?
      - Jackie is working to bring dementia simulation to campus: Oct 7th
  - May 22: Aging America, Living with Grief from 9:30 - 12 pm in ST 304

#### Committee Reports:

- IT Committee
  - Good year, but still looking for more suggestions for IT topics for next year
  - Welcome feedback
  - Kaltura & Canvas at Faculty Conference in June
- Curricular Affairs (no representative at the meeting to present)

#### Open Discussion: Awards Ceremony Reflection: Mike Labalokie / Mike Doncheski

- Concerns about Academic Awards not getting attention that other awards
- Fisher Award should be presented by a past Fisher Awardee (not Curtis)
- If you have comments/recommendations, please contact Mike
- Positive: seemed to be better attendance than usual
- A committee? Prepare visuals about the awards to be displayed?
  - Was nice to have lists of names
- Sorting alphabetically by award granter?
- Fewer introductions of award presenters
- Perhaps not the same weekend as Open House? (Most efficient then, but big time commitment)

#### Additional Open Discussion:

- Handing over the MAFS chair clock to Tom
- Robin: New Academics social media representatives?
  - Coming, so please consider contributing

#### Adjournment