Minutes of the USAO Faculty Association  
Tuesday, 6 March 2012

Signed in as present:


I. Call to Order by President, N. Osborn, at 11:04 am.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the 2/7/12 regular meeting of the USAO Faculty Association were delivered electronically by S. Rees on 2/27/12. A motion to approve the February 2012 minutes made by J. Loutsch, seconded by A. Karjala, and passed unanimously.

III. Treasurer’s Report

K. Crow announces a balance of $831.57.

IV. Committee Reports

- Handbook committee has finished a revised handbook, distributed to faculty by email on 2 March 2012. Motion to accept this version of the handbook made by L. Hester, seconded by J.C. Casey. Faculty votes by secret ballot. K. Crow and J.C. Casey count votes in full view of members while meeting continues.

- Curriculum committee presents the following changes for Faculty Association vote: Drama major changes to Theatre Studies (THTR) Specifics of changes available HERE in faculty shared drive, “Curriculum Changes” folder. Motion to approve by J.C. Casey is seconded by A. Karjala. Vote: 38 approve, 1 opposes, 1 abstains. Motion passes.

- Matriculation committee has selected the “Hope” statue as the image for the new freshman medallion. Focus for this year’s matriculation will be alumni.

V. Results of Handbook Ballots

At this point in the proceedings, K. Crow and J.C. Casey reveal the results of the handbook ballot: 15 approve, 20 oppose, 6 abstain. Motion fails. S. Rees will transcribe written reasons from ballots and submit to handbook committee chair and VPAA.
VI. New Business

- Faculty Association officer recruitment committee announces that D. Hanson and W. Ferrell have volunteered to run for next year’s Vice President and Secretary positions, respectively. Association will vote at the April meeting. Contact committee chair J. Loutsch if you wish to add your name to the ballot.

- President Feaver will hold a dinner for all faculty in the USAO ballroom on Thursday, 29 March, at 5:30 pm.

VII. Announcements

- Drama production *Uncle Vanya* in Little Theatre Friday and Saturday, March 9 and 10
- Art Show wine and cheese opening Saturday evening, March 10
- US Army Jazz Ambassadors March 28—you must collect a free ticket from the Business Office
- Innovations Art Show on display, 3rd Floor Davis Hall—awards Friday, March 9
- Emerson-Wier Symposium, March 14, with pep rally March 12; symposium panel set in Te Ata, not Davis amphitheater
- New IDS course for Fall 2012: Documentary Films; see Q. Tran if you would like to contribute
- Hypatia luncheon, April 12
- Scholastic Meet, April 5
- Tree planting at USAO farm; volunteers gratefully accepted
- Minerva awards, April 11

VIII. Motion to adjourn by K. Lamar; second, Z. Simpson 11:44 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley S. Rees