Department of Dance All Faculty Meeting Agenda Minutes

Thursday, February 29, 2024   12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Meany Hall Room M-102

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Present: Catherine Cole, Ed Connery, Jen Salk, Alana Isiguen, Hannah Wiley, Katie Daugherty, Emily Uematsu, Christine Şahin, Christina Sunardi

*Will adjourn to Executive Session for full-time faculty and staff by 1:00 p.m. for a Graduate Faculty meeting

- Welcome and Announcements from the Chair
  o Christina welcomes and turns over to Ed
  o Reminder from Ed:
    - Regarding payments to anyone outside (or within) department, have communications go directly to Ed; if guests/vendors have questions about when to expect payments, have contact Ed directly to keep communications clear
  o Ed also provides update on the Production Manager search – position got posted with a priority deadline

- Approval of Meeting Minutes
  o From February 8, 2024
  o From February 22, 2024
  o Minutes approved as a slate by voice vote, and also by hand vote
    - 4 Yes  0 No  0 Abstain

- Chair’s Report
  o Department Bylaws
    - Dean Harris is asking that all departments generate and vote to approve bylaws by no later than June 15, 2025
• She has provided a template; Christina suggests that she as chair fills in over the summer, then have the faculty and staff look at it in the fall to refine
  • Plan: get to Gabriel by December 2024, get his feedback make revision in Winter 2025, vote in Spring 2025

• Is faculty and staff consensus on this plan
  o Schedule time to meet to continue discussion of faculty teaching and service workloads
    • A time found and scheduled for March 12, 2024
  o Prehistoric Body Theater letter of support request
    • Christina checks in to make is okay to provide a letter that expresses support of project that the director can use in fundraising efforts; Dance is not contributing resources though
    • Faculty agree

• Faculty Topics
  o Use of explicit language in Department of Dance concerts (Alana)
    • Discussion of this topic ensues; needs further discussion because are so many factors to consider, including artistic intent; perhaps can be in conversation with other arts units
  o Proposal for a Jones line to support alumni work (Jen)
    • Discussion of an idea to use Jones funds to support alumni work
    • Ongoing discussion is needed

• Departmental Updates and Announcements
  o Ed provides an update on the sound system project – is a possibility that new sound systems could be installed in the studios this summer; Ed will continue to work on this necessary facilities upgrade
  o Ed notes that the new shades for the studios project still moving forward, but very slowly

• Agenda Items for Future Meetings
  o Revisit Front of House/comp tickets

*Adjourn to Executive Session so that the Graduate Faculty can discuss Graduate Student thesis course proposals, with input from other full-time faculty and from staff