Department of Dance Special Meeting/All Faculty Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 10, 2025 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Meany Hall Room M-102

Zoom option:

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Present: Jen Salk, Olivia Anderson, Juliet McMains, Rachael Lincoln, Alana Isiguen, Davianna Griffin, Katie Daugherty, Monica Rojas-Stewart, Christina Sunardi, Paul Moore, Gwen Cubbage

- Welcome and Announcements from the Chair
 - Colleague's health update
 - New approvals will be needed for hiring and travel; may need approvals for other usages of your research funds
 - Hiring needs Divisional Dean approval
 - For travel, even when use of your research funds, needs chair approvals
 - Please plan for extra time when making requests, and please be prepared to supply a few sentences about why the expense is essential –particularly in terms of why essential to the department's teaching and/or research mission
 - Summer budget; fringe benefits increase for faculty, staff and graduate students
 - Offering small graduate courses in summer is not sustainable; we need to figure out how to move the Dance 510 and Dance 520 to the academic year starting in 2027-2028 with the cohort that will start in 2027.
 - Have some time to work on this as a department
 - Hannah has been awarded a Landolt award for mentoring excellence!
 - Recent gift from one of our donors—we are so thankful

- Stasis for the revised tenure and promotion guidelines submitted to the Divisional Dean for the moment
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - From February 27, 2025 faculty meeting
 - From March 6, 2025 faculty meeting
 - Approved as block: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain
- Chair's Report
 - (included in welcome and announcements above)
- Faculty Topics
 - Jones funds proposal from subcommittee (Juliet)
 - Faculty consensus that is a good plan, Christina will submit to Divisional Dean
 - Kawasaki gift fund proposal from subcommittee (Jen)
 - Faculty consensus is that is a good plan
 - MFA revision -- adding 3 credits of Dance Studies requirement (Juliet)
 - Faculty vote yes to adding 3 credits of Dance studies to MFA requirements and reducing elective credits by 3 so total required credits remains the same
 - 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain
 - Faculty consensus to cloaking in the course catalogue graduate courses that are no longer regularly taught
 - MFA program survey from the College
 - Discuss and refine answers for Christina to submit to the College
 - Other Dance curriculum changes (Juliet)
 - Faculty agree to cloaking what used to be the Winter and Spring Quarter course numbers for ballet, jazz and modern so that each level of these forms uses just one number regardless of quarter to make the numbering of technique courses more consistent across idioms
 - Juliet and Alana will work on course change proposals to modify the max credits for each class and to modify pre-reqs appropriately
 - Graduate orientation planning form committee; determine dates (Rachael)

- Discussion no longer needed, planning is underway, led by Rachael
- Departmental Updates and Announcements
- Agenda Items for Future Meetings
 - Department Bylaws
 - Part-time temporary lecturers for Autumn 2025
 - Graduate student teaching assignments for Autumn 2025
 - New adjunct appointments
 - o Department of Dance undergraduate scholarships
 - Div. committee report