<div align="center">**College of Education Senate**
Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2021, 900-1100 am
Hybrid Meeting Location: Benjamin 3237 and https://umd.zoom.us/j/6086471517</div>

Attendance: Doug Lombardi,

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Unfilled Senate Positions
    1. Chair-elect and Secretary
        1. Nominated by Steering Committee first meeting of academic year (or ASAP)
        2. Elected by Senate first meeting of the academic year (or ASAP)
    b. There are no nominations for Chair-elect
    c. Sarah McGrew has been nominated by the Steering Committee for Secretary
        1. Senate Vote

Dean's Remarks
.   Year of transition; Senate is one piece of stability
a.   Many searches happening this year:
    1. Dean Search; Provost is interviewing search firms and then a national search will proceed
        1. Need to show vibrant college that we are-- e.g., make sure events are on our website so people see great work
    2. 2 new chair searches
        1. Internal- HDQM
        2. External- TLPL. Search committee formed & charged.
    3. Communications office:
        1. Currently down to 1 from 2.5 FTE
        2. Hiring a Director of Marketing/Communications. Search committee formed & charged. Hopefully filled in 2-3 months
        3. Will then fill other jobs in Comms
    4. Grant proposal writer to work 1 on 1 with faculty
    5. Financial person in dean's office
b.   Return to campus- seems to be going well?
c.   Events coming up:
    1. EdTerp Dialogues, Sept 22: run by alumni; for practitioners (students & alumni) to share ideas and network
    2. Difficult Dialogues, Sept 27
    3. Terrapin Ed Talks, Nov 9: Ted Talks style event with 6 faculty giving 5-7 minute talks. This year focused on Outside the Classroom: Learning, Development, and Wellbeing in Informal Spaces
    4. Week of Sept 20: graduate fair to recruit graduate students happening remotely
d.   Terrapin Strong: Onboarding effort to help those joining our community understand our history and values.
    1. Modules on ELMS- ice cream voucher after you complete them :)
    2. All new staff, faculty, students required to complete. Will be opened up after that.
e.   Communications:

1. Last year- consulting firm (PRG) did assessment of how Comms should be structured (interviews, doc review, focus groups) & created 15-strategy plan for moving forward + office structure with recommended 5 FTE
2. Hiring director first (see above), then rolling out 2-3 additional hires
3. For now: Kimberly, Andrea taking up some slack with Audrey gone. But if you have news-- something worth tweeting or writing about, helpful if you write up sentences that are communications ready.
    1. Send to coecomm@umd.edu
4. Website identified as needed improvement- PRG will do some project management of website improvements
    1. Changing text into pithy statements with photos

f.   Questions:
1. Concerns from Elementary program- with unvaccinated kids all day and then coming together with 20+ adults (also in schools) in indoor classroom
    1. Will check in with Ebony about this and other potential teacher ed issues
2. HDQM chair search- within HDQM itself?
    1. Yes.
3. Research areas President Pines planned to invest in- Ed was at the top of the list. Have we heard anything about that?
    1. No-- on research subcommittee clear message that search focus on climate/quantum issues
4. Concerns about messaging on QR codes on campus- some rooms still don't have them, messaging to students isn't clear
    1. Small classes they will alert everyone- so those may be low priority
    2. Laura will bring to Dean's Forum
5. UMD Strategic Planning- how are these discussions trickling down to college level?
    1. Laura hasn't attended steering committee yet, so hard to say

2021-2022 Schedule
.   Senate Meetings, monthly on Fridays, 900-1100 am, hybrid (in-person/virtual)
a.   Steering Committee, monthly on Wednesdays, 900-1000 am, virtual (https://umd.zoom.us/j/6086471517)
b.   College Assembly September 24, 2021, 1100-100 pm
1. Should this be virtual or in-person hybrid?
    1. One idea: presenters there in person; others online--we could try this out
2. Tentative Meeting Agenda
    1. Welcome (Lombardi)
    2. Introduction of New Staff and Faculty (Dean's Office/Department Chairs/Associate Chair for TLPL)
    3. State of the College (Stapleton)
    4. Research Impact Initiatives (Barber)
    5. 2021-2022 Senate Emphases
        1. Overview (Lombardi)
        2. Subcommittee Reports with an emphasis on broadening engagement and recruitment
            1. Diversity and Inclusion (Bill & Steiner)

      2. Sustainability (Walker)

      3. Faculty Affairs (McGrew)

      4. Awards (Norris)

6. COREJ (Turner Kelly)

7. Teaching Innovation Grants (Presenters?)

      1. Dissemination of findings and practices per some of the awardees

8. Student presentation

iii.Other ideas for Assembly--especially to increase engagement:

1. Students present some student experience problems-- then breakout rooms to discuss + problem solve

2. TIG grants presented in breakout rooms so people can choose which one they want to attend & smaller groups can interact & discuss

3. Start the meeting in breakout rooms to do an icebreaker (rooms of 10 with a question(s))

      1. Lauren T -- scavenger hunt

4. Add staff affairs update--Ron will check if this is where he's presented in the past. Could go right after State of the College address

5. Think hard about what items we actually need and which we could cut to keep things shorter (not full 2 hours)

iv.College Retreat, January 28, 2022

      1. Focus on COE Communications and Branding

v.End of Year Assembly/Awards, May 13, 2022

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Tentative Senate Goals

.   Transitioning to a better normal

.Provost message: "Come back without going back"

a.   Anti-racism and social justice

.Social justice as a college communications theme

b.   Sustainability

c.   Transparency

Committee Assignments & Work

.   Awards (https://umd.zoom.us/my/anorrisumd)

a.   Diversity and Inclusion (https://umd.zoom.us/j/2709544849)

b.   Faculty Affairs (https://umd.zoom.us/j/9960446298)

Sustainability (https://umd.zoom.us/j/7138346535)