

College Research Council Committee
November 28, 2022

Present: Professors Araceli Tinajero (Chair), Carlos Aguasaco, Maria D. Lima, Vaclav Paris, and Irina (Lotti) Silber; Deans Marta Gutman, Edwin M. Lamboy, Renata Miller, Susan Perkins, and Andrew Rich; Associate Provost Rosemarie Wesson; and Senior Director Andrew Wooten

Absent: Professor Ilona Kretschmar and Deans Alexander Couzis, Carmen Green, and Juan Carlos Mercado

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

The minutes from the October 31, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved with one correction.

Old Business

1. Library Survey

- Chair Tinajero shared that Dean Gutman had provided two more questions and had suggested some edits. Interim Chief Librarian Loren Mendelsohn also provided feedback.
- A. Tinajero will send the revised survey to committee members once Professor David Jeruzalmi provides feedback.

2. Book Exhibit

- Chair Tinajero suggested doing a book and article exhibit at Shepard Hall.
- Professor Aguasaco suggested creating a digital version of the exhibit. He pointed out that the new chief librarian should be involved in the planning process, especially if we are proposing a library display.
- Dean Miller shared that, in the past, the book exhibit was done during the President's holiday party when it was held in Shepard Hall. She added that this might not work with the karaoke party that President Boudreau does now.
- In a discussion about how far back to go, Dean Perkins said it would be important to consider how large the space is and to curate these works. Associate Provost Wesson said that CRC could provide some guidelines and that Teresa Scala has the number of publications from 2021 to the present.
- Professor Silber agreed that curating these works is important. She also suggested cultivating the space and being inclusive, sensitive, and thoughtful.
- Dean Gutman suggested tying the call for works to the pandemic (i.e., celebrating the work produced in the last two years and coming back together). She suggested doing this in March 2023 to acknowledge the third anniversary of the pandemic.
- Chair Tinajero asked the committee if the exhibit should be held in the Great Hall or the library. Associate Provost Wesson suggested having a party in the Great Hall and a more permanent exhibit in the library. Dean Rich supported this idea. Dean Lamboy suggested contacting Facilities and Anthony Achille before we pursue the idea of having a party at the Great Hall.

- Associate Provost Wesson suggested putting together a plan and a budget and presenting it to Provost Liss. Dean Gutman added that all the deans can work with their teams and help collect the works and organize the event.
 - Decision: An exhibit that is open and inclusive of all the types of work that faculty produce (e.g., books, articles, recordings, plays, creative work, etc.).
3. CRV follow-up
 - a. Associate Provost Wesson shared that Climate Solidarity was the proposal selected for CRV funding. The team will submit a report to deans and CRV members at the end of the month. They will do a presentation in March to give a status update.
 - b. The Office of Research has been in communication with other teams to provide funding opportunities. Alan Shih has been working with Terri Watson, leader of The Beloved Community team, for some Harlem potential funding. The Sugar Maple Project team, led by Ana Carnaval, is applying for an USDA funding opportunity. The Artificial Intelligence for the Health Community team, led by Ashiwel Undieh, is considering several NIH funding opportunities.
 - c. Dean Lamboy asked if there would be another round of applications. Associate Provost Wesson said there would be at least a year in between. Her office will look at availability of funds.
 4. Spring 2023 meetings
 - a. Chair Tinajero said she would send a doodle poll. She expects to schedule only two meetings.
 5. New business
 - a. Associate Provost Wesson explained that her office would like to provide training sessions on Pivot to all the division. She will contact deans to schedule meetings with divisional P&Bs and organize training sessions for departments. These 30-minute sessions will take place in Spring 2023.
 - b. Chair Tinajero introduced Professor Vaclav Paris. He will be part of the CRC this year.
 - c. In response to Associate Provost Wesson's question, Chair Tinajero confirmed that the committee is not meeting in December.

The meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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