FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

**Room 412 Student Union**

**AGENDA**

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the February 13, 2024 minutes
3. Approval of agenda
4. Special reports
   1. Dr. Chris Ormsbee – Vice Provost & Director ITLE, AI Detection Software
5. President’s report and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
6. Provost’s report on recommendations made by the Faculty Council and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
7. Vice Presidents’ reports and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
8. Faculty Council Chair’s report
9. Reports of liaison representatives
   1. **Emeriti – Barbara Miller**

The Emeriti Association Council met on February 26. One item of interest was a review of our recently renewed agreement with the OSU Alumni Association. Ann Caine, President of the Alumni Association, is supportive and positive. The Emeriti Association provides volunteer assistance as Ambassadors for events such as Homecoming, football pre-game events, Commencement, and others. The Emeriti Association is provided space for our use in the Alumni Center. Many members of the Emeriti Association are also Lifetime or Annual members of the Alumni Association!

At the writing of this message, we are anticipating our next Monday Night Dinner (MND) on March 11. Our speaker will be Irish Journalist, Declan Bredin. Declan’s career has spanned many momentous events, and we will enjoy his storytelling. Pre-registration for this event is very high. Thanks to Bob Graalman and Priscilla Gerfen for arranging this event.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Woods, President, OSU Emeriti Council

* 1. **Women’s Faculty Council – Erin Dyke**

**Announcements:**

* We are accepting applications for the**Ryder-Smith Undergraduate Student Leadership Endowed Scholarship until March 15th. More information** [**HERE**](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwomensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu%2Fscholarship.html&data=05%7C02%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C841ba90e40224a473c2b08dc3f9129aa%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C638455139892264299%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=APk3O7%2B7TILIeQZJcmem5%2B3ELIyHQEhIX5EhVXkc%2F%2FE%3D&reserved=0)**.**
* **FCGE Student Research Award Applications** are currently in the process of being sent for faculty review.
* **Flourishing Collective Events with Dr. Annmarie Caño – Co-Creating Liberatory Culture and Change in Higher Education**

Dr. Annmarie Caño, Professor of Psychology at Gonzaga University, spoke about co-creating liberatory culture change in higher education. The Flourishing Collective is a project in collaboration with the Center for the Humanities;  Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies; and FCGE. For more info and to register, visit [HERE](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcas.okstate.edu%2Fhumanities%2Fevents%2F2023-2024_events%2Fflourishing_collective_cano.html&data=05%7C02%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C841ba90e40224a473c2b08dc3f9129aa%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C638455139892274861%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=0DBeNURyPsW%2FE%2F6uBFViL7YFcnDx%2FmciMdHXhiBsQ8Y%3D&reserved=0).

* **Friday, Feb. 23, noon-1pm: An Interview with Dr. Caño (virtual):** Dr. Caño will draw from her book-in-progress to discuss how we can co-create healthier academic work environments in which everyone, not just a privileged few, can thrive. We will explore the possibilities for broader institutional culture change as well as tools for empowering individuals, considering liberation psychology concepts as they apply to the academic workplace.
* **Friday, March 8, noon-1:30pm: A Workshop w/ Dr. Caño (virtual):** Dr. Caño will guide workshop participants to identify oppressive features of their work environments and strategies to pursue together to support healthier working environments. Participants will leave this session with several ideas to build upon together.
* **FCGE Research Symposium and Student Research Awards Ceremony** will take place in April, please be on the look out soon for more details!

Anyone interested in the FCGE can visit our website at [http://womensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Furl%3Fq%3Dhttps%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Furl%3Fq%253Dhttp%3A%2F%2Fwomensfacultycouncil.okstate.edu%2526amp%3Bsa%253DD%2526amp%3Bsource%253Deditors%2526amp%3Bust%253D1628813758358000%2526amp%3Busg%253DAOvVaw2qprLSPr4hvMFx1e3NkD_r%26sa%3DD%26source%3Deditors%26ust%3D1628813758367661%26usg%3DAOvVaw3JRdo5Rt3fHMuGPtqlHKXZ&data=05%7C02%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C841ba90e40224a473c2b08dc3f9129aa%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C638455139892283143%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1q4C9M%2FG95iU56V1Rnzf4NGE8fUKa9TNY%2BzjEx51RGU%3D&reserved=0) and email [wfc@okstate.edu](mailto:wfc@okstate.edu) to sign up to be put on our email list.

* 1. **Staff Advisory Council – Michelle Stewart**

Staff Advisory Council is set to vote on updates to the Sick Leave policy at our March 13th meeting.

* 1. **Graduate Council – Veronique Lacombe**

*The following Academic Program Committee (APC)* items were reviewed and approved at the February Graduate Faculty Council

*Program Modifications*

* EDD, School Administration

Application change

          Core course changes

* MA, Social Foundations

         More options for non-thesis

          More options for research and elective courses

* MS, Corporate Finance

          Remove GMAT

         Remove a course requirement

          Allow variable credit courses to allow students to test throughout program

          All of the above to add flexibility

* MS, BADS

          Add course

          Reduce course confusion

          Balance workload

* MS Design and Merchandising

         Remove course, add course

         Online delivery

* MS, Engineering Tech, Mechatronics and Robotics

          Changes to course requirements

* MS, Educational Psychology

          Admission requirement change, removes barriers to application

* MS, Aging Studies

          Course changes to align with GPIDEA course list (member of alliance)

          Change non-thesis credit requirement from 36 to 30

* PhD, Animal Science

          64 hours post BS, Make degree more accessible to students without MS

*New program requests:*

* MS, Accounting

      New online format is the only change

* MS, Account Tax (deactivated by mistake when moving to CourseLeaf)

      Align core with changes proposed to other MS Accounting offerings

*Micro-credentials and Grad Ed:* Dr. Ormsbee introduced micro-credentials,which are relatively new to higher ed. They can be stand alone or can be imbedded in a graduate degree. They focus on industry skill sets, 9 credit hours or less, and can be stacked with a certificate or toward a degree. She mentioned that there is a working group on campus developing micro-credentials.

*Grad Ed Month -* Dean Van Delinder reminded us of April 2024 Grad Ed month, mentioning the awards ceremony and additional Robberson award money.

*3 Minute Teach* – Dr. Powers presented 3 Minute Teach as part of Grad Ed month. It is specifically for Teaching Assistants who are showing great interest. The deadline to enter is the Wednesday before Spring Break.

*Spring 2024 General Graduate Faculty Meeting* is scheduled by Zoom March 27 @ 1:30. Subject matter Group meetings will follow immediately after and additional information will be available in the Monday Memo.

* 1. **Student Government Association – Ashley Peterson/Ty McLaughlin**

Student Parking Ticket Initiative

- Students who receive a ticket valued at $30 or less can “pay off” their ticket by donating the same monetary amount in donations to the Stache Network. A trial run will be starting soon and hopefully this is a program OSU can heavily utilize in the fall 2024 semester.

The 2024-2025 Student Body President/ Vice President Elections take place on March 12th-13th. They will be elected this semester and officially be in term after May 11th.

* 1. **Graduate & Professional Student Government Association – Marcia Sun**

**GPSGA General Assembly Meeting**

The second GPSGA General Assembly Meeting for Spring 2024 is on **Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 5:30 pm in SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES (SSH) 035**. Based on the GPSGA general assembly's interests, the invited speaker session during the meeting focused on ITLE resources and programs, such as technology services, teaching and learning, teaching with AI, etc.

**GPSGA Award/Grant/Fund**

* The **GPSGA Spring 2024 Travel Award** application is open until March 31.
* The **GPSGA Spring 2024 Research Material Grant** application is open until April 1.

**GPSGA Phoenix Awards (4 categories)**

* **Award Categories:** 
  + Doctoral Student Phoenix Award
  + Master Student Phoenix Award
  + Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
  + Graduate Faculty Mentor Phoenix Award

The Phoenix Awards represent the pinnacle of recognition within GPSGA, honoring individuals who demonstrate exceptional leadership, scholarly achievement, community and university service, and professional engagement. Each year, GPSGA presents these prestigious awards to one outstanding master's student, one outstanding doctoral student, one exceptional graduate teaching assistant, and one distinguished faculty member at the Graduate College Awards Ceremony. Nominees for the Phoenix Awards can be initiated by any faculty member, administrator, or graduate student, including self-nominations. **Eligible candidates must be currently enrolled as full-time graduate students, require no more than 6 credit hours to complete their degree after the spring semester, anticipate graduation in Spring, Summer, or Fall 2024, and maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.5. Eligible candidates for the Graduate Faculty Mentor Phoenix Award include all faculty members.**

* **Note**: Each applicant may only nominate one individual (including self-nomination) per award category.
* Application due date: **Friday, March 29, 2024**, at **11:59 pm CST**

**>>>**[**CLICK THIS LINK (https://forms.office.com/r/959TyhQ2DC)**](CLICK%20THIS%20LINK%20(https://forms.office.com/r/959TyhQ2DC))for more information on the required materials for the nomination/application form. **<<<**

*-Some updates and modifications on the application process:*

The main focus of the modifications and updates is to increase access and inclusion, especially regarding the Faculty Mentor Award, facilitate a more convenient process in the reference evaluation, and implement the double-blinded evaluation procedure. Also, the application information and links will be shared with the Faculty Advisory Council and Graduate Council.

**GPSGA Campus Engagement**

The campus engagement and participation for this month include:

* GPSGA was extended an invitation to serve as a campus partner for the College of Arts and Sciences Grad Chat Series on February 21. This opportunity allowed us to actively engage with graduate and professional students, providing valuable advice and sharing resources to enhance their academic journey.
* GPSGA was invited as a special guest and supported the occasion of Saraswati Puja hosted by the Hindu Student Association, a cultural event in celebration of joy, prosperity, and knowledge on February 17.
* GPSGA supported and promoted the International Bazaar 2024, held on Saturday, February 10, at the Wes Watkins Center Exhibit Hall. This vibrant event served as a celebration of cultural richness and diversity among OSU students, showcasing traditional foods, performances, and cultural exhibits from various countries.

**Facilitation in Graduate Student Organizations Reactivation Process**

GPSGA continues supporting Campus Life and working with all graduate student organizations under the GPSGA umbrella to assist them in the reactivation and re-registration process. Every semester, student organizations must undergo a re-registration process update regarding their officers, advisors, organization's categorization, accounting information, and more, as opposed to the previous requirement of annual reactivation. This process is applicable to graduate student organizations and not departments/units.

**GPSGA Exemplary Committee Member Awards**

The GPSGA Exemplary Committee Members Awards recognize outstanding dedication, leadership, and contributions made by committee members within the GPSGA committees. These awards aim to honor individuals who have demonstrated exceptional commitment, initiative, and impact in their respective roles, contributing significantly to the success and effectiveness of GPSGA committees.

**GPSGA Ambassadors Program**

From the pool of eligible applicants, two GPSGA Ambassadors were selected through a double-blinded process.

**GPSGA Signature Professional Development Program**

* GPSGA Lunch and Learn in collaboration with Emerging Technologies Lab will host a Lunch and Learn session on the topic of transforming a broad topic into researchable questions and problem statement on Friday, March 8, 2024.

**New Graduate and Professional Student Organizations and Departments Joining GPSGA**

* Graduate Leadership Association of Spears​ (GLAS)
* American Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE) OSU Chapter
* Department of Art, Graphic Design, and Art History
* Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)

**AFAP Application Status:**

The AFAP process is currently in the second phase. By this month, the AFAP committee will distribute the number of organizations that have applied within GPSGA umbrella groups, along with an estimated hearing duration. Dr. Lovern and Marcia are working on the committee members list of seven members based on the requirement and propose a date and time for your hearing by Friday, March 1. Hearings for the respective graduate student organization will begin in early March.

**General Assembly Meeting Minutes**

Meeting minutes for the general assembly meetings are available via the GPSGA Canvas page.

1. Reports of standing and special committees
   1. Academic Standards and Policies: Mike Yough – No Report
   2. Athletic, Health and Wellness: Aric Warren – No Report
   3. Budget: Maria Ma – No Report
   4. Campus Facilities, Safety, and Security: Cristina Gonzalez – No Report
   5. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Stephen Perkins – Update

Recommendation: 24-03-01-DEI: Proposed change to committee title and mission statement\*

* 1. Faculty: James Knapp – No Report
  2. Long-Range Planning and Information Technology: Kris Hiney – No Report
  3. Non-Tenure Track: Brad Lawson/Jennifer Glenn – No Report
  4. Research: Gopan Krishnan – No Report
  5. Retirement & Fringe Benefits: Mark Weiser – No Report
  6. Rules and Procedures: Christopher Crick – No Report
  7. Student Affairs and Learning Resources: Heather Yates – Update

OpenOKState OER Champion Nominations

The OSU OER advisory group and OpenOKState student advocacy team are accepting nominations for the OpenOKState Open Educational Resources (OER) Champion Awards. Four $500 awards will celebrate individuals from the OSU community actively engaged in supporting innovative research and student success through the promotion and use of OER and open practices.  
  
OER are research, teaching, and learning materials intentionally created and licensed to be free for end users to use, modify and share. Open practices are collective choices that open up access to research and educational opportunities. Award nominations are open to any member of the OSU community.

Link: [https://forms.library.okstate.edu/machform/view.php?id=205118](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.library.okstate.edu%2Fmachform%2Fview.php%3Fid%3D205118&data=05%7C02%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C0458089b4a9e4f2650d908dc399c7087%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C638448591260827290%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1%2FcuPr8zv5gG6itkWG%2FUgNZ37KeYuos3mQD2QHzVSH0%3D&reserved=0)

1. Unfinished business
2. New business
3. Adjournment

***\*Attached***

**Amended by Passed Failed**

**Recommendation No.** 24-03-01-DEI 1.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Moved by:**  Diversity, Equity and Inclusion 2.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Seconded by:**  3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Title:**     Proposed change to committee title and mission statement

**The Faculty Council Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee Recommends to Faculty Council that:**

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee met on February 29th, 2024. After deliberating, committee members voted unanimously to change the committee’s title to the Access and Community Impact Committee.

Current DEI committee title and mission statement:

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee**

The OSU Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee is comprised of three members from the Faculty Council, three members from the General Faculty, one emeritus faculty member, one undergraduate student and one graduate student. The composition of this committee should reflect diverse populations of the campus. A representative from the Division of Institutional Diversity will be appointed by the Vice President of Institutional Diversity to serve as a liaison between the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and the Division of Institutional Diversity. Committee members are encouraged to invite faculty from Colleges without representation on this committee to participate as non-voting members. This committee will work with Faculty Council Officers in reviewing committee structure and membership to ensure that the committee appropriately addresses diversity related issues.

Recommended new committee title and mission statement:

**Access and Community Impact Committee**

The OSU Access and Community Impact Committee is comprised of three members from the Faculty Council, three members from the General Faculty, one emeritus faculty member, one undergraduate student and one graduate student. The composition of this committee should reflect diverse populations of the campus. A representative from the Division of Access and Community Impact will be appointed by the Vice President for Access and Community Impact to serve as a liaison between the Access and Community Impact Committee and the Division of Access and Community Impact. Committee members are encouraged to invite faculty from Colleges without representation on this committee to participate as non-voting members. This committee will work with Faculty Council Officers in reviewing committee structure and membership to ensure that the committee appropriately addresses issues of concern to the faculty of OSU and/or OSU’s Division of Access and Community Impact.

**Rationale:**

These changes will better align the committee with the restructured OSU Administrative Division of Access and Community Impact. The committee’s proposed change in title, if approved, will also necessitate a revised mission statement like the one recommended above.