



FACULTY SENATE

Research, Scholarship & the Creative Arts Committee
March 21, 2019
327 Waterman 12:30-2:00

Present: Jess Bocanegra (GSS), Chris Burns (LIB), Mary Cushman (LCOM), Britt Holmen (CEMS), David Neiweem (CAS), Chun Zhang (GSB)

Absent: Steve Budington (CAS), Rachele Gould (RSENR), Steve Keller (CAL), Dimitry Kremmentsov (CNHS), Tammy Kolbe (CESS), Cathy Paris (Faculty Senate President), **Matthew Price (CAS), Albert van der Vliet (COM)

Guests: Cindy Forehand (Dean of Graduate College)

Chair Chris Burns called the meeting to order at 12:42pm in 327 Waterman.

- 1. Approval of the Minutes.** The minutes of January 10, 2019 will be voted on at the April meeting.
- 2. Scholarly Communication Discussion.** The committee discussed the University of California's decision to end contract negotiations with Elsevier. The following article was part of the discussion <https://news.berkeley.edu/2019/02/28/why-uc-split-with-publishing-giant-elsevier/>.
- 3. Dean of Libraries Search,** RSCA along with ERTC and PSC of the Faculty Senate are scheduled to meet with the candidates for the Dean of Libraries. These meetings are scheduled, April 3 (11-12), 5 (11-12), 17 (10-11) and 19 (11-12) all in the Presidents Conference Room. The committee would like some of these topics covered in the interview process.
 - Collection space versus study space
 - Research and data management
 - Perspective on library instruction
 - How do we move to the next generation of a library?
 - Ideas on how the library can help raise funds towards library programs.
- 4. RSCA 2019 / 2020 Chair.** Chris is running for Faculty Senate Vice President. If he wins the election he will step away from RSCA. Other Faculty Senate committees use the co-chair

model. This model can be used next year for the RSCA if the committee chooses. The Faculty Senate Office will send out a call for nominations and hold an election by the May meeting. Anyone interested in the role of chair or co-chair can contact Chris or the Faculty Senate Office with questions.

5. University Distinguished Professor nominations. The committee has received the link to the SharePoint site with all the information. The committee has been asked to review the information for discussion. There are currently seven University Distinguished Professors, the University can have up to ten. The committee discussed the process they will use in providing feedback on the candidates.

6. New Business. There was no new business at this time.

Adjourn at 2:00pm.

**On Leave

The next meeting of the RSCA is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 from 12:30 – 2:00 in 427a Waterman.