

ALVSCE Faculty Council 2023-2024
March 14, 2024 Meeting

Agenda (Formal Meeting)

Senate update: Katie Zeiders, Tim Ottusch, Bobby Torres

Katie provided an update. They will send out a more detailed update in a couple of days. Katie describes the annual All Funds Meeting CALES update. This year, it included an additional presentation of 5%, 10%, and 15% reductions. As Shane relayed in his email, the meeting went well. Shane and Jeff did a good job relaying the message that CALES/ALVSCE is underinvested in and cuts would be counterproductive.

There is a report from Gary Rhoades on the budget that will be circulated to the faculty. There is a pattern of underinvesting in colleges, particularly the most productive college.

There was a presentation about the UTIS consolidation.

Updates From FC Chair

- Standing Update: FC/SC Joint Budget Working Group Updates (Taylor Grogg) University Financial Updates – moved to April.

Meeting Business:

- Professor of Practice involvement in scientific research - Provide consensus feedback on the DRAFT policy-PLEASE REVIEW THIS POLICY BEFORE MEETING.
Notes were added to the draft document.
There was a call for volunteers to work on a revised document. No one volunteered.
Ashley will work on putting together a group of faculty to work on this.
- Brief updates on FC vacancies that will be coming up- The FC Charter States that “Half of the elected unit representatives of the Faculty Council shall be up for election every year” but when you review our roster and terms are here, you will notice that we have 17 elected representatives, and only 7 scheduled to rotate off this May based on their term. We will need to discuss as a group how to handle this. (Ashlee)
Discussed and decided that one or two options will be forwarded to FC by email for discussion and vote in next meeting.
- Workload Letter Template Updates (Ashlee and Kathleen)
Ashlee reviewed the discussion to date, process, and template development. She will send out the draft template for review and discussion.
There was a discussion about the need for this to be required of all units. In addition, there was a request to add grad student research advising and to add informal teaching, advising, and mentoring.
- Discussion on elimination of individual course and program fees and anticipation of impacts to CALES academic programs and courses (Bobby)
Not addressed

Topic for future meeting: How should mentoring and advising, particularly of student research be considered in workloads?

Attendance:

Faculty Representative	Unit	Present (X)
Tauhidur Rahman	Agricultural & Resource Economics	
Kerry Cooper	Animal & Comparative Biomedical Sciences	
Gerry Lopez	Animal & Comparative Biomedical Sciences	
Dr. Armando Barreto Munoz	Biosystems Engineering	X
Todd Schlenke	Entomology	
Katerina Dontsova	Environmental Science	X
Kathleen Kennedy	Human Ecology	X
Cory Quailles	Human Ecology	X
Rachel Mitchell	Natural Resources & Environment	X
Kevin Bonine	Natural Resources & Environment	X
Ashlee Linares-Gaffer	Nutritional Sciences and Wellness	X
Ashley Snider	Nutritional Sciences and Wellness	X
Ramin Yadegari	Plant Sciences	X
Zhongguo Xiong	Plant Sciences	X
Tracey Armstrong Florian	Maricopa County Cooperative Extension	X
Rosie Stewart	Pima County Cooperative Extension	
Tim Ottusch	CALES Faculty Senator	
Katie Zeiders	CALES Faculty Senator	X
Bobby Torres	CALES Faculty Senator	X
Shane Burgess	Ex-Officio Member	
Jean McLain	Administration	X