CALS Faculty Council 2019-2020

Meeting Date: November 7th, 2019 2-3PM Location: Forbes 307

1. Discussion with Jean McLain (Assistant Dean of Faculty Advancement)

Discussion about formal training for Unit heads. What are some of the positive and negative issues (old and new) with Unit heads and is there any way that training could improve these?

2. Issues with UCAP mapping and transparency

Some units have had significant challenges and problems with mapping. How has process been handled across school within units and is there anything that FC should do?

3. Merit raise document

Evaluate and OK wording within document.

4. CALS approaches to dealing with downturn in revenue

Each unit will be making up this shortfall from their budgets and the amount has been agreed upon by HODS and their faculty notified. The faculty have not been told what CALS is directly contributing.

5. Diversity Statement

Should FC make a formal statement to support our students in light of recent troubling remarks by President Robbins?

6. APR assessment

Dean Burgess suggested that we draft a statement from the FC supporting changes in the APR process. Both the DRAC and Cardon fellows should be addressing this year, but it remains unit to unit.

7. Evaluation of teaching statement

Dean Burgess suggested that we draft a statement from the FC supporting formal changes in teaching and evaluation.

Next meeting will be held 2-3pm on 5 December in Forbes 307.