

Faculty Council Meeting

April 2, 2024 — 9:00–10:00 am

TPS 110 or Zoom: <https://washington.zoom.us/j/97171736586>

MINUTES

Faculty Council Member	Capacity	Present (P), Absent (A), or Recusal (X) ¹
Ben Meiches	Faculty Council Chair	A
LeAnne Laux-Bachand	Vice Chair	P
Cassie Miura	CAC Representative	P
Jane Compson	PPPA Representative	A
Haley Skipper	SAM Representative	P
Amanda Sesko	SBHS Representative	P
Emily Ignacio	SHS Representative	A
Scott Rayermann	Lecturer at Large (SAM)	P
Anna Groat Carmona	Dean's Diversity Advisory Council representative (SAM)	P
Ex-Officio Members	Capacity	(P), (A), or (X)
Natalie Eschenbaum	Dean	P
Hyoung Suk Lee	Chair, Committee of Chairs	P
Kathleen Pike Jones	Assistant to the Dean	P
Non-Member Participant	Capacity	(P), (A), or (X)
Jessica Asplund	Director of Academic and Finance Operations	P
Jeremy Davis	Associate Dean of Programs & Operations	P
Stephen Ross	Associate Dean of Faculty Development & Student Support	P
Vanessa de Veritch Woodside	Associate Dean of Equity & Inclusion	P

AGENDA

1. Introductions, Ground Rules, Land Acknowledgment, Agenda (2 min)
2. Consent Agenda: Minutes (1 min)
3. April Faculty Meeting Agenda (15 min)
4. Food Studies Minor (15 min)
5. Teaching Modalities (20 min)
6. Updates/For the Good of the Order (2 min)
7. Adjournment

1. Introductions, Ground Rules, Land Acknowledgment

- a. Faculty Council Vice Chair LeAnne Laux-Bachand called the meeting to order and the council took a moment to reflect on the SIAS Land Acknowledgment and Ground Rules before beginning the business of the meeting.
- b. Libi Sundermann is representing PPPA today.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. No objections to the agenda.
- b. No objections to the minutes of the March 26, 2024 meeting.

3. April Faculty Meeting Agenda

- a. Proposed Agenda:
 1. 12:30–12:35 Introductions, Land Acknowledgment, Ground Rules, Safety Briefing
 2. 12:30–12:35 Consent Agenda: Minutes of the March 1, 2024 Faculty Meeting
 3. 12:35–1:15 Dean's RCEP Proposal
 4. 1:15–1:30 Food Studies Minor
 5. 1:30–2:20 State of the Curriculum (Modalities, Enrollment, Statements)???
 6. 2:20–2:30 Updates
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- b. Natalie will not be available during the meeting as she's running a workshop at that time.
- c. Cassie and Jeremy are also not available.
- d. Steve could talk about teaching statement support and strategies for student engagement.
- e. We could present something about enrollment data even though Jeremy won't be there.
- f. We could have small groups talking about strategies for engagement and modalities.
- g. Consider a conversation about ICC policy vs. guidelines in curriculum.
- h. We can give updates about the RCEP process.

4. Food Studies Minor

- a. Idea Stage: Working on a proposal for an Interdisciplinary Food Studies Minor for SIAS, currently in the "idea stage" and notification of intent stage as defined by APCC.
- b. Collaborators: Leighann Chaffee, Ed Chamberlain, Sarah Chavez, Joan Bleeker, Yixuan Pan; idea passed to Libi from Kim Cargill in 2018, building on efforts since 2014.
- c. Departmental Housing: Considering Social Sciences department for housing the minor— Libi could coordinate it.
- d. Approval Process: 1. Dean's approval (done) and 2. Have Natalie present the idea to the Council of Deans and Andy before proceeding with PNOI and NOP; no official form required for the first step.
- e. Course inclusion: Existing courses with food studies components:
 - 1. TCHEM 105: Chemistry of Cooking (*fill rate average over 5 years 19/20)
 - 2. THIST 290: A World History of Food (*39/40)
 - 3. TAMST 350: American Food Studies (*28/40)
 - 4. TWRT 364: Food Writing for Cultural Exploration (*16/24)
 - 5. TARTS 406: Labor, Globalization, and Art (*12/15)
 - 6. TPSYCH 404: Psychology of Food and Culture (*41/40)
- f. Study Abroad & Course Takeover: Leighann offers study abroad related to TPSYCH 404
- g. Libi may relaunch THIST 487: Technology in the Modern World, related to cooking technology
- h. Budget: No new courses or additional budget anticipated for the minor
- i. Faculty Council Reps: Please report out to your faculty and they can email Libi or Leighann with any input.
- j. Comments:
 - 1. All of the details aren't figured out yet.
 - 2. We want the minor to be interdisciplinary without prerequisites.
 - 3. It's on the Dean's Council agenda.
 - 4. Need to consider that TPSYCH 404 is part of the capstone in SAM.
 - 5. Scheduling might be difficult because the minor is so interdisciplinary.
 - 6. We should be thinking strategically as this minor might appeal to SET and Education students; Computer Science students are required to have a minor.
 - 8. Libi covers food insecurity in her course; it's possible to create an internship with the UWT Pantry or local food banks.

5. Teaching Modalities

- a. Last week's discussion concluded on five components of a policy:
 - 1. The need for major-based curricular decisions and planning.
 - 2. Establishing a threshold/ceiling for the number of classes any major can put online.
 - 3. Ensuring every major has fully in-person curricular pathways available to their students since these are all in-person degrees.
 - 4. Balancing in-person teaching needs with documented exceptions and/or faculty autonomy.
 - 5. Clarification on hybrid course status.

- b. We should consider intentionally hybrid and online courses like the Criminal Justice major.
- c. Do we know if there's a correlation with success rates for DRS studies in online courses?
- d. We should consult Darcy Janzen and Chris Lott for research and data.
- e. Math is talking about modalities; they can share their research.

6. Updates/For the Good of the Order

- a. No updates were shared.

7. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 am.