

Board of Trustees
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
March 30, 2018 - 9:30am-11:00am - Alumni Room

MINUTES

Members present: Elisa Hamilton (Chair), Jan Saragoni, Pamela Parisi, David Nelson (Ex-Officio)

Members absent: Hazel Afamefuna Christine Kondoleon, Susan Schechter

Also attending: Maureen Keefe (Liaison), Jamie Costello, Dan Serig, Chris Wright, and Susana Segat (Secretary)

Call to Order

Chair Hamilton called the meeting to order at 9:40am and welcomed participants.

Approval of the Minutes: February 2, 2018

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the February 2, 2018 committee meeting.

Items Requiring a Vote: Approval of candidates for promotion, effective 9/1/2018

Chair Hamilton invited Dean Serig to present the candidates for promotion. Dean Serig described the promotion process and introduced the candidates recommended for promotion.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the president's recommendations on promotions, effective 9/1/2018.

Maura Smyth, Liberal Arts:	Asst Prof to Assoc Prof
Jarrett Davis, Studio Foundation:	Assoc Prof to Prof
Marc Holland, Studio Foundation:	Assoc Prof to Prof
Keith Washington, Studio Foundation:	Assoc Prof to Prof
Kathryn Riel:	Asst Librarian to Assoc Librarian
Gabrielle Reed:	Assoc Librarian to Librarian
Rachel Resnick:	Librarian to Sr Librarian

Items Requiring a Vote: Approval of candidates for tenure, effective 9/1/2018

Chair Hamilton invited Dean Serig to present the candidates requesting tenure. Dean Serig described the tenure process and introduced the candidates. President Nelson talked about the importance of tenure to the institution and the struggles faced when committees encounter candidates whose scholarship is ambivalent. Trustees discussed the qualities that merit tenure.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the president's recommendations on candidates for tenure, effective 9/1/18.

Judith Leemann - tenure
Marika Preziuso - tenure
Catilin Pereira - tenure
Jennie-Rebecca Falcetta - tenure
Matthew Monteith - tenure
Laura Reeder - no tenure

Items Requiring a Vote: Approval of sabbatical leave - Laura Reeder, Spring 2019

Chair Hamilton asked trustees to review the sabbatical application from Laura Reeder.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the request for sabbatical leaves from Laura Reeder for Spring 2019, excusing the post-sabbatical service/salary requirement.

Reports

Enrollment Update:

Dean Wright provided the most recent raw numbers on recruitment. Applications are up by 8.3% and out-of-state population is up by 18.5%. The goal is to receive deposits from 572 students so we would hit 510 by the end of the process. Trustees discussed the financial impact of recruiting from New England versus out-of-state students, the wait list for first year students and transfers, and the sources of international applications.

Other Business

President Nelson discussed current media events and how social media addresses issues on campus. When dealing with Title IX issues, the college's goal is to have a communications strategy that does not impede investigations.

Adjournment

On a motion duly made and seconded at 10:40am, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn.

Documents provided: Meeting notice; Agenda; 3/30/18; Minutes 2/2/18; promotion recommendations; tenure recommendations; sabbatical request; admission numbers as of 3/29/18.