

**School of Journalism
Faculty Meeting Minutes, May 13, 2011**

Those in attendance: Barbara Barnett, Bob Basow, Ann Brill, John Broholm, Terry Bryant, Cade Cruickshank, Pam Fine, Gina Ford, Ted Frederickson, Mugur Grana, Malcolm Gibson, Penny Hodge, Carol Holstead, John Hudnall, Jennifer Kinnard, Linda Lee, Tien Lee, Crystal Lumpkins, Chuck Marsh, Corrie Moore, Patty Noland, Sue Novak, Scott Reinardy, Simran Sethi, Susanne Shaw, Jackie Thomas, Max Utsler, Tom Volek, Doug Ward and Mike Williams.

Dean's report and discussion (Brill)

Committee elections were held for 2011-2012 academic. Results can be found on the J-School website at <http://www.journalism.ku.edu/faculty/committees.shtml>

The doctoral program was presented to the Board of Regents in April and will be forwarded to outside reviewers. The Bremner Center remodel has begun, construction of the Student Services area will start soon and the Clarkson Gallery is in the planning stages. New faculty research offices will include areas for displaying faculty and student research. The first floor restrooms are being remodeled to make them accessible. Students will be contacted to present at the faculty retreat to discuss their jobs and internships and to share their opinions about tracks and curriculum. Assoc. Prof. Tien Lee was awarded the 2011 John Katich Award for Creativity and Prof. Chuck Marsh was named Stauffer Professor.

Associate deans' reports

Graduate (Volek)

A doctoral program of classes was distributed and class topics are needed before the list is forwarded to outside reviewers. Fall 2012 is the probable start for the PhD program. It is hoped that 16 – 17 of the 23 grads admitted for fall 2011 will enroll. The GI Bill may fully fund 2 – 3 students. Prof's Reinardy and Utsler authored a Sports Management Media certificate with HSES that could become a grad level minor and possibly a program.

Undergraduate (Barnett)

Enrollment numbers are down. Some labs and classes may be cancelled but freshmen, grad and transfer students are still to enroll. Tracks were asked to present at the fall retreat and faculty were asked to be available to speak to students during recruitment appointments.

Curriculum (Ward)

Volek's proposal to move some 400 level classes to the 600 level will be discussed in committee meetings. Ward motioned to change required credit hours for J-School students from 124 to 120. Basow seconded. There was no discussion, none opposed and the motion carried. This reduction has already been approved by KU.

Promotion and Tenure (Lee, L)

Revised promotion and tenure guidelines were adopted with a measurable definition of success added. The P&T process will start in the spring semester instead of in the fall. Annual reviews will be conducted in first, second and third years for new candidates.

Technology (Geana)

Enabling students to check out laptops was considered the biggest achievement of the year by the committee. Technology requirements will be established for courses and students will be told where it can be accessed. Geana reiterated that this must be required of students or they will not attend. He reminded faculty of software training at Lynda.com and said the Adobe 5.5 will be installed in all labs by the fall semester. Utsler said Autodesk software has 36-month leases available through BEA.

News/Information (Reinardy)

The News/Info track will be meeting to discuss the curriculum throughout the summer.

Strategic Communication (Lee, T)

Lee discussed deleting courses that have not been taught since 2000. John Broholm discussed academic misconduct. He stated that the "old" rule for replacing grades cannot be continued if academic misconduct has occurred. If a student has cheated and the professor wants the grade to remain on their GPA there must be a "flag" placed in the students file. The final grade must be lowered for the course not just for the assignment for the grade to be permanent. The grade cannot be replaced when the course is re-taken.

Dean Brill thanked retiring faculty Ted Frederickson and John Hudnall and Jennifer Kinnard, who will be leaving KU for other opportunities, for their years of service.

Meeting adjourned.