**CALSFA**

Meeting Minutes

Aug 11, 2020

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1. Call to order at 9:04am via Zoom
   1. Attendees: Jennifer Jones, Ryan Stewart, John Galbraith, Travis Mountain, Sean O'Keefe, Alan Grant
2. Approval of previous meeting minutes (May 2020)
   1. May 2020 minutes approved as written

1. Dean’s update
   1. Thanked faculty for hard work in difficult times.
      1. Announced new HNFE head Stella Volpe, FST interim head Renee Boyer, Tidewater AREC director as David Langston stepped down.
   2. Budgets lots of unknowns. Budget meeting in Richmond, state budget may not be as bad as expected, but budget reduction plans of 5% and 10% were submitted. There is a general hiring freeze but seeing some hiring. Run budget conservatively so we don't run into problems later. State funded tenure track and agent positions frozen.
   3. Still on target for incoming freshmen at 708 with target 680. Students have until Friday to decide if they want to defer to future semester. Expect we may have as many as 30 deferrals. Melt may be variable across colleges and Engineering international students likely hit hardest. Out of state in CALS still on target. There will be clarity in a week or two. Travis asked about stop the clock for tenure track faculty. There will be an added section with check box and covid related problems will be automatically approved. It is expected that a number of faculty will go ahead and do this and recommendation is to not worry about the deadline.
2. Treasurer’s report
   1. Balance has not changed$3,537.18
      1. We had fewer events this year due to covid-19 resulting in a higher than normal balance
3. Old Business
   1. 2020 Ut Prosim Award Ozzie Abaye School of Plant and Environmental Sciences.
   2. Virtual happy hour end of Spring Semester was well attended.
4. New business
   1. Ut Prosim Award nominations to be good for 2 years, unit leaders do nominations with one per unit. Push package receipt date to June. Edits to nomination form needed. Make due date April 15.
   2. Standardized testing for undergraduates removed for this year. Survey faculty if standardized testing elimination should be removed from admissions.
   3. 2020-2021 social events ... should have at least one social and one educational event. Normal attendance 20-30 in past. Open event (come and go as please during time frame) rather than set schedule seems best. Virtual vs socially distanced in person meeting in places like Hahn where distance and masks a possibility, but most organizations avoiding in person events in near term.
5. Meeting Adjourned at 9:58am

Next meeting: September 8 at 9:00.