FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2016**

# Council Room, 412 Student Union

**AGENDA:**

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of the August 9, 2016 Minutes

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Special Report:

A. Cinthya Ippoliti – Assoc. Dean for Research & Learning Services, Edmond Low Library – New services and resources in the Library

B. Dr. Celeste Taber – Registrar – Grade Submission through Banner

5. The President – Remarks and Comments

6. Report of Status of Faculty Council Recommendations:

President Hargis, Provost Sandefur, and/or Vice Presidents

7. Reports of Liaison Representatives –

1. Staff Advisory Council – Kristin Henderson

Tara Robertson-Moore the new SAC Treasurer resigned from OSU. Elections for her replacement will be at the next SAC meeting, September 14th.

HR’s Jennifer Moody will be speaking to the Council about the Fair Labor Standards ACT (FLSA) at the September meeting.

The ratification election will be held in September as planned to make the changes to the Constitution. The changes are as follows:

* SAC proposes to remove the designation of Exempt and Non-Exempt categories from our member elections and make all of the categories at large.
* SAC also proposes to add a non-voting member of the E-Team as Past Chair. This member would be a part of the SAC Executive Team of Officers.

The Fund Raising Committee is having another OSU homecoming basket raffle. You can purchase tickets from any SAC member.

SAC will be sponsoring a Blood drive in November with the American Red Cross. Details will follow in our monthly Email and Facebook pages.

SAC will also be working again with the Junior Service League to collect food for Harvest II food drive. Pickup date is still pending but will be announced later.

1. Women’s Faculty Council – Steph Link

The Women’s Faculty Council is starting to schedule the WFC meetings and events for this year and are trying to recruit those interested in working on issues for improving the status of women at OSU to join us.

1. AAUP – Barry Lavine

"The OSU Chapter of the AAUP will hold a faculty forum on clinical faculty with Provost Sandefur as the speaker. The forum will be held on Monday, September 26th from 3:30pm - 5:00pm in the Student Union (Case Study #2).

This forum will be similar to one held in September 2015 which covered the faculty handbook. Currently, clinical faculty is a topic under discussion by the OSU Faculty Council with several titles under the general heading of clinical faculty being considered for job their classification. The subject of this forum is timely and will be of interest to all OSU faculty and students."

1. GPSGA – Solmaz Bastani

The Graduate and Professional Student Government Association recently held their first general assembly meeting of the 2016-2017 school year. This year, the group is focusing on improving methods of communicating with its members. So far, this has included producing a promotional video, creating a LinkedIn account, and making changes to our website to provide more up-to-date information. We are happy to announce that this academic year started with a welcome reception on August 18th that was attended by 80 students and faculty. GPSGA also received a response from parking services regarding a letter written by our group last year to provide parking spots for graduate students performing research on game days. We hope to continue our work with the university to support graduate students as they continue their education at Oklahoma State University.

1. Graduate Faculty Council – Brenda Smith

Council held its regular monthly meeting on Friday, August 26th*.*

*Master’s Degree Plans.* Council was asked to review a draft of the revised plans for master’s degree completion. Following this review, the document will be presented for comment at the Subject Matter Group meeting in October.

*Minimum GPA Guidelines.* The Graduate College has asked the Council to develop minimum admission standards*.*  An *ad hoc* committee will draft the guidelines which will be presented at the September Council meeting and then to the Subject Matter Groups in October.

*Commencement Video Project.* The Graduate College is exploring the option of implementing a 3-5 minute congratulatory video as an alternative to a commencement speaker.  This is a practice that is gaining popularity in graduate commencement ceremonies across the county.

*Graduate Faculty Application Web Form*. The Council was informed that an online form for non-tenure track faculty is now available on the Graduate College website for individuals applying for (or renewing) full or associate graduate faculty status.

*Fall Subject Matter Group Meetings*. Council discussed having a single Subject Matter Group meeting this fall, with time for breakout meetings, instead of six separate meetings. Watch for the date and location of this meeting.

1. Wellness Center – Mary Talley



8. Reports of Standing Committees:

a. Academic Standards and Policies: David Oberhelman – No Report

b. Athletics: Tom Royer – No Report

c. Budget: Glenn Brown – No Report

d. Campus Facilities, Safety, and Security: Erik Ekman – No Report

e. Diversity: Louise Siddons – No Report

f. Faculty: Pamela Lloyd – No Report

g. Long-Range Planning and Information Technology: Jason Vogel – No Report

h. Research: Andrew Doust – No Report

i. Retirement & Fringe Benefits: Chris Richards – No Report

j. Rules and Procedures: Deb VanOverbeke – No Report

k. Student Affairs and Learning Resources: Gina Peek – No Report

9. Old Business

10. New Business

11. Adjournment

*Refreshments will be served at 2:45 p.m.*