

**THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE COLLEGE COUNCIL
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS
Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

ATTENDANCE

Deans: *Dean:* Sarah Mustillo; *Associate Deans:* James Brockmole, Mary Flannery, Ernest Morrell, Mike Pries, Michael Schreffler; *Assistant Deans:* Maureen Dawson, Darlene Hampton, Collin Meissner, Mary O'Callaghan, Nicholas Russo, Joseph Stanfiel

Chairpersons and Directors: William Carbonaro, Luca Grillo, Berthold Hoeckner, Elisabeth Köll, Sarah McKibben, Jason Ruiz, Mark Schurr, Eric Sims, Jeff Speaks, Thomas Stapleford, Pamela Wojcik, Xiaoshan Yang

Elected Faculty: Ann Astell, Tatiana Botero, Kathleen Boyle, Christopher Chowrimootoo, Tarryn Chun, Noreen Deane-Moran, Kirk Doran, David Gibson, Amy Langenkamp, Congcong Ma, Erin McDonnell, Elizabeth McClintock, Samuel Newlands, Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, Siiri Scott, Jeff Spoonhower, Todd Walatka

Undergraduate Students: Noelle Dana, Julianne Downing

Graduate Students: Lauren Lundy

Regularly Invited Guests, Observers, and Resource People: Alessia Blad (Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures), Ted Cachey (Devers Programs), Kate Garry (Dean's Office, Communications), Robert Goulding (John J. Reilly Center), David Griffith (Undergraduate Studies Advising), Geraldine Meehan (Global Gateways at NDI), Margaret Meserve (Glynn Family Honors Program), Ellen Roof (Academic Advancement), Matthew Zyniewicz (Dean's Office)

Excused: Pedro Aguilera-Mellado, Gail Bederman, Cindy Bergeman, Tobias Boes, Tom Burman, Kiera Duffy, Margot Fassler, Barbara Green, Michelle Karnes, Laura Knoppers, Stephen Lancaster, David Lantigua, Geoffrey Layman, Charles Leavitt, Jake Lundberg, Elena Mangione-Lora, Alexander Martin, Tim Matovina, Sarah McKibben, Christopher Miller, Janeala Morsby, Alison Rice, Roy Scranton, Scott Shim, Nicholas Teh, Sophie White

Dean Sarah Mustillo convened the meeting at 3:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

S. Mustillo invited new members to stand and introduce themselves. She then read the purposes and purview of the College Council as outlined in the University's Academic Articles. She asked for any amendments to the March 3, 2021 College Council minutes. The Council approved the minutes without

corrections.

COLLEGE BUSINESS

1. Proposal--Master of Arts in Mathematical Philosophy degree (MAMP)

Dean Sarah Mustillo introduced the proposal under consideration: a Master of Arts in Mathematical Philosophy degree (MAMP). S. Mustillo invited Jeff Speaks (Chairperson, Department of Philosophy) and Curtis Franks, Department of Philosophy). C. Franks explained that the Department has a unique arrangement with the Department of Mathematics, allowing students to take part in a joint PhD program. Some students, however, are not able to complete the joint PhD degree program for different reasons. The Department of Mathematics has generated a master's program for that reason, and the Department of Philosophy is generating its own master's program with this proposal. C. Franks explained the highlights of the master's proposal, noting that the students are funded and managed by their home departments. C. Franks anticipates that about 85% of the students for the proposed program will come from the Department of Mathematics.

After a brief discussion, S. Mustillo asked for a vote for approval of the minor. The vote was unanimous in favor.

2. Proposal--Sports, Media and Culture minor

S. Mustillo invited Associate Dean Mary Flannery, Pam Wojcik (Chairperson, Department of Film, Television, and Theatre) and Annie Coleman (Department of American Studies) to introduce the proposal for a minor in Sports, Media and Culture. A. Coleman explained that Notre Dame is a national leader, navigating the tension of sports and higher education. She explained the minor, composed of a series of electives, a foundational course, internships, special studies and a one-credit capstone course. The capstone courses will be flexible to allow for broad career and academic interests from the students.

Ann Astell (Department of Theology) asked if the minor will allow for courses on sports and literature, similar to the program at Purdue University. A. Coleman welcomed such courses for the minor. A. Coleman also noted that the minor will likely attract more student interest than the department capacity and so the minor will involve some sort of application process.

S. Mustillo called for a vote to approve the minor in Sports, Media and Culture. The vote was unanimously in favor.

3. Proposal--Global Competence Award

S. Mustillo invited M. Flannery, Alessia Blad, and guest Eva Hoeckner (Program Manager for Language Initiatives, CSLC) to the front of the room to present a proposal on a Global Competence Award. A. Blad explained that the Center for the Study of Languages and Cultures (CSLC) created the campus wide initiative to bring more attention to foreign languages on campus. She explained the proposal, explaining salient points.

Erin McDonnel (Department of Sociology) suggested that the proposal might be read more clearly if the operational aspects of the proposal are separated from the more academic aspects. For example, the proposal could focus on study abroad issues, working in another language office, etc., and then focus on the foreign language issues.

The discussion ended without a vote.

4. Funding sources

S. Mustillo introduced the topic of funding sources by stating that the College recently had an opportunity to apply for funds from a particular organization that raised issues in some minds about any guidance the University provides to researchers about the appropriateness of funding sources.

She invited John Duffy to the front of the room to offer his [comments](#). Much discussion ensued. In the end, the Council considered a procedure in place that involves the Vice President for Research and his office who have a standing committee to vet questionable proposals and funding sources. Further, chairpersons can provide oversight as well.

ADJOURNMENT

S. Mustillo adjourned the meeting at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew C. Zyniewicz
Dean's Executive Administrator