

A&S Senate Meeting Minutes March 20, 2023, 11:30AM - 1:00PM Library E4315 and Zoom meeting

- Call To Order at 11:30am.
- Acceptance of the <u>Agenda</u> The motion to accept the agenda is carried.
- Approval of February 13, 2023 Meeting <u>Minutes</u> The approval of the minutes is carried.
- Opening Remarks and Report: K. Lindblom, A&S Senate President
 - Welcomed everyone to the March A&S Senate meeting.
 - We still haven't heard from the administration in regard to the tweet that was sent out from a personal account by one of our faculty.
- Report from Dean of School of Communication and Journalism, L. Lindenfeld
 - Written report can be viewed <u>here</u>.
 - Reaccredited by ACEJMC.
 - o Growth in partnerships with NSF, US State Department.
 - Introduced new Undergraduate & Graduate Degree Programs and other programs in development.
 - Increase in Fall enrollment.
 - Increase in four-year graduation rate.
 - Discussed interdisciplinary opportunities and collaboration with other schools.
 - Discussed some challenges such as capacity and space, and changes in plans.
 - "Journalists on the Frontline" will be held on April 20th.
- Report from Dean of SoMAS, P. Shepson
 - SoMAS is made of three divisions: Marine Sciences, Atmospheric Sciences, and Sustainability.
 - Explained about each division.

- Wish to collaborate with other schools. Currently working with Public Health on the east campus.
- Our research enterprise and educational programs are growing but our faculty and staff have been decreasing.
- We have shrunk and I'm not proud about it, especially that with all challenges we are facing, I will be evaluated by the provost at the end of my five-year tenure.
- Old Business
 - Call for nominations for Vice President of the A&S Senate: Still looking for A&S Senate VP candidates/nominations.
- New Business
 - Request for approval of new Undergraduate Curriculum Committee charge and revision of the bylaws. Vote: Passed by 96%.
- Announcements no announcements.
- Adjournment at 1pm.