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DRAFT SAPC Minutes 14 January 2022 2:30pm

In attendance Joanna Abdallah, Sharon Gratto, Jay Janney, Katie Kohnen, Allison Kinney, Grace Pierucci, Tom Skill, John White,

Regrets: Lee Dixon, Ryan McEwan, Molly Kaye Sexton, Andy Slade

1. We welcomed new member Katie Kohnen, a senior major in Pre-Medicine.
2. Minutes were approved.
3. Sharon led our SET discussion
 - a. We have used language “suggesting”, when it appears we should employ more direct language.
 - b. Tom suggested “Chairs may waive in-person SET requirement based on extenuating circumstances”. Discussion suggested Faculty were fine with that.
 - c. Should we encourage faculty to prepare a reflection on SET?
 - i. “Because we frame SET as a formative tool, we believe it should be included in a faculty’s reflection document as part of FAR and T & P, and included with other formative tools”.
 1. Not every unit employs FAR, we need a better term.
 - d. The Math department recommended to have SETs waived if there is an issue with academic honor code violation.
 - i. After some discussion we decided not to pursue this recommendation. We don’t think a student accused on an academic honor code violation can be identified for withholding SET and that withholding it from other students would not be appropriate because it would eliminate other students’ feedback.
 - ii. We encouraged faculty to document in their reflective statements whether an academic dishonesty violation occurred.
 - e. We need to prepare an addendum [about how UD can track anonymous users if their SET feedback violates the Law/UD policies] to be uniformly shared. Could the LTC prepare this information? Can we require all syllabi to contain a link to the addendum?
 - f. At this point Tom needed to leave the meeting.
 - g. Faculty SET score departmental averages. Some chairs state seeing dept averages can be helpful. We support a directive stating dept averages are not to be used for comparative purposes.
 - i. Can dept average scores be excluded from faculty individual reports? We believe our report suggests this should be consulted.
 - h. This past semester more faculty appear to have administered SET in-class
 - i. We went through both the SAPC SET Administration and the Use of SET Draft Policy documents, checking the language on when something is optional and when it is required.
 - j. Sharon will email the revisions to the draft policies for feedback from committee members.
4. Meeting ended at 3:31.

Jay Janney, recording clerk