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University of Washington
Department of Spanish and Portuguese Studies
Faculty Meeting | Zoom ID: 977-8809-2286
Friday, June 5, 2020

Start time: 3:33pm

End time: 4:55pm

Faculty in Attendance: Ana Fernández Dobao, Anthony Geist, Donald Gilbert-Santamaría, María Gillman, Ana Gómez-Bravo, Jorge González Casanova, Samuel Jaffee, Edgar O'Hara, Phillip Markley, Marilís Mediavilla, Leigh Mercer, Inma Raneda, Francisco Robles, Antonio Rueda, Sabrina Spannagel, Eduardo Viana da Silva.

Staff in Attendance: Casey Colvin, Dalia Correa, Leigh Ann Ruben.

Others in Attendance: Peter Denis, Assistant Dean for Personnel.

1. Approval of Minutes from May 1.
 - a. Minutes approved.
2. Announcements
 - a. Spanish Major Chiara DeSantis was named to the Husky 100. She is the third Spanish Major named to the Husky 100 in the last four years, and the only one from the Humanities for 2020. She was also selected as a Fulbright alternate to Peru.
 - b. Most Summer B-Term classes to be held online, per Provost email this afternoon.
 - c. The Spring 2020 SPS newsletter will be published June 19.
 - d. The results of the Campus Climate survey were released May 26.
 - e. Jaffee's approach to remote instruction was featured in the Center for Teaching and Learning's "Teaching Everywhere" series. See the SPS website for more.
 - f. Jaffee has also been accepted to participate in the 2020 UW Technology Teaching Fellows Institute, which provides time and support for faculty members to design hybrid or fully online courses.
 - g. Correa reports the curriculum for SPAN 470 has been approved.
3. Chair's Report
 - a. Chair thanks Antonio for work as director of the NW Cadiz program.
 - b. Correa to take over administration of Leon Program on July 1 when Humanities Academic Services (HAS) takes over undergraduate advising; will still handle Graduate Advising.
 - c. Note on Denis' presence: present to aid in discussions of Merit Guidelines Proposals.
 - d. Dean Reed has forwarded the proposal to the Provost's for hiring of Heritage Tenure track position. The Search committee for this position will be Gilbert-Santamaría, Fernández Dobao, Robles, and Chan Lu of Asian Languages and Literature.



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- e. CAS Budget: CAS less vulnerable to state budget cuts due to tuition funding. New admissions at about where they were last year, with fewer international students and more out-of-state admissions.
 - f. Regents vote on merit June 11; merit increase unlikely, but merit process still required.
 - g. Student accommodations: “maximal accommodation,” faculty still have autonomy.
 - h. S/NS option extended to Graduate students; supersedes Graduate School Policy.
 - i. No department undergraduate advising starting July 1: this role transfers to HAS.
 - j. Language Classes: SPS will probably be all-online in AUT 2020.
 - k. All Fall Study Abroad Programs cancelled.
 - l. Faculty Workload: Discussion of whether it should be included in 10-year review.
 - m. New Global Literary Studies Major: still taking feedback, Language courses will count towards this major; could be a good opportunity for Portuguese Minor.
4. Committee Reports
- a. Undergraduate Studies Committee: nothing to report.
 - b. Graduate Studies Committee
 - i. One student admitted to the PhD; four admitted to the MA with one postponing enrollment.
 - c. Diversity Committee
 - i. Spoke with Chair about Statement of Solidarity over murders of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery. Robles to write statement and send to department for comment.
 - d. Study Abroad Committee
 - i. Informational meeting attended by Correa. Study Abroad has seen 80% reduction in financial resources; hope to be back for WIN 2021.
 - ii. Priority for students who had programs cancelled.
 - iii. “Study Away” option explored for some students.
 - e. Merit Committee for Tenure Track
 - i. Vote on Merit Guidelines: 11 Yes, 4 No, 0 Abstain.
 - f. Merit Committee for Non-Tenured Faculty
 - i. Altered titles of documents so “Non-Tenure” now reads “Non-Tenure Track.”
 - ii. Vote as “Standard Performance Assessment for Non-Tenure Track Faculty” and “Guidelines for Annual High-Merit Review for Non-Tenure Track Faculty.”
 - a. Vote on Merit Guidelines: 11 Yes, 2 No, 2 Abstain.
5. Meeting Moved to Executive Session.
6. Adjournment