Agenda
College of Design Faculty Assembly
Friday, April 25
9:00 – 10:30
274 McNeal Hall

I. Call to Order (9:00)

II. Approval of 11/22/13 Minutes  (9:00-9:05)
   See URL:  http://www.cdes.umn.edu/about/intranet/governance/index.html

III. Brief Reports from Senators/Committees/Working Groups:  (9:05-9:30)
   Senators:  Cynthia Jara, Hye Young Kim

   Standing Committees
   • Adjunct Faculty Consultative – Adam Jarvi
   • Curriculum – Joe Favour (report on page 2)
   • Diversity – Holley Locher (report on page 2)
   • Faculty Consultative – Joe Favour   (report on page 2)

   Working Groups
   • Academic Technology – Loren Abraham (report on page 3)
   • Exhibits & Collections – Lin Nelson-Mayson
   • Honors and Awards –  Aaron Westre
   • Interdisciplinary Design – Pat Hemmis

IV. Old Business  (9:30 – 9:45)
   a. Salary Equity Report

V. New Business (9:45 – 10:00)

VI. Report from the Deans  (10:00 – 10:30)
   a. Slides related to Dean’s update will posted on governance site prior to the meeting

VII. Assembly Adjournment
Report from Diversity Committee

This year the Diversity Committee hosted 4 diversity workshops (2 focused on being an ally and 2 focused on Universal Design). We also hosted another successful diversity/design lecture and a design charrette for high school students in February. Thanks to Abi Asojo for her work in coordinating the February events. We plan to continue these events next year, but will rotate in different workshops.

Next year we would like to expand our diversity programming to include several brown bags in both Rapson and McNeal that focus on some aspect of diversity in relation to our disciplines. Please contact Holley Locher if you would like to present for one of these brown bags.

Additionally, we are in the early stages of a partnership with the Office of Equity and Diversity to conduct a "diversity audit" of our College. Dr. Doneka Scott from OED will be guiding us through this audit, via which we hope to get a snapshot of how we are doing in the College with regards to diversity. It is our intention that this audit will provide us with a better understanding of areas in need of improvement and possible directions we can take to improve overall climate for our faculty, staff, and students. As more details become available, we will let you know. For the time being, though, we want to give everyone a heads up and encourage you all to participate in the process.

Finally, the diversity committee realized this year that we have been operating without a College diversity statement. We plan to present a draft statement at the staff and faculty assemblies.

Faculty Consultative Committee:

We met on Jan 30th and again on April 1st. The January meeting was mostly focused on issues surrounding the (at the time) pending compact request. We reviewed Dean Fisher's summary of our initiatives and suggested priorities for investment moving forward. See the attached minutes from 1/30/14 for detail on the discussion.

The April meeting was spent with Dean Fisher, receiving an update on College initiatives, results of the compact request, enrollment, budget issues and "Grand Challenges" that the College of Design is engaging. We ended the meeting with a discussion of the recent engagement survey and the wide variability of the results between staff, junior faculty, and senior faculty.

Curriculum:

We met twice this term and reviewed multiple curriculum proposals. The most noteworthy discussion items were about the potential to merge courses across disciplines of similar topics, and the revision to an e-vote for all curriculum items to increase efficiency in dealing with changes.
Academic Technology Committee (ATC):
Chair Loren Abraham
Members: Lee Anderson, Andrea Johnson, Chris Schlichtung, Hyungjoo Im, Corrie Bozung

The committee has met three times during the academic year and has engaged in the following key areas of work.

*Academic Technology Mapping*

- An Academic Technology Matrix was initially developed using an Excel workbook
- A second generation Academic Technology Map has been created with “Coggle.It”, a Google Ap useful for team collaboration
- Committee members are invited to review the map and collaborate as a group
- Potentially disruptive technologies are an area of focus in this mapping process

*Gap Analysis*

- An Academic Technology Gap Analysis based on the ATC mapping process has been initiated and will continue to be developed until the end of the year by members of the committee.
- College Website features and capabilities, blogging and online learning environments such as Moodle, design studio tools and resources, cloud capabilities, 3D scanning, 2D printing and other capabilities in the digi-fab lab, etc., are among the needs considered in the study

*Digital Display Technology*

- $100K of funding is being made available from central IT for this purpose and CDes IT staff are currently developing an implementation plan based on faculty input
- Committee members are participating on the up-coming faculty focus groups being held on both campuses
- The Committee will produce a high-level summary report as one of its deliverables for this year

*Student Technology Competition*

- A college-wide technology and design student competition is being considered
- Key items being considered for this proposal involves leveraging Drone technology and the idea of including a presentation during the Northern Spark Festival