



October 3, 2016

TO: A&S Faculty

FROM: Leonidas Bachas
Dean

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SUBJECT: AGENDA for College Faculty meeting
Monday, October 10, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.
Miller Center Auditorium, 105 Merrick Building

1. Approval of the Minutes of the April 12, 2016 College Faculty Meeting (attached)
2. Dean's Remarks
3. Voting Rights for Educator and Research Faculty – (Action item -attached)
4. Approval of the name change of the University of Miami Institute for the Americas (MIA) to that of:
 - a. University of Miami Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas (Action item -attached)
5. Approval of the Proposal from the Department of Political Science for a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Administration – (Action item -attached)
6. Faculty Senate Report
7. Academic Appeals Committee Report
8. Other Business

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To: College of Arts & Sciences Faculty

From: Leonidas G. Bachas
Dean 

Subject: MINUTES of the College Faculty Meeting
Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. at the Wesley Gallery

Date: Friday, April 15, 2016

1. Approval of the Minutes of the February 22, 2016 Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2016 meeting was offered, seconded and unanimously approved.

2. Dean's Remarks

Director of Parking Richard Sobaram made a presentation to update the faculty on various parking matters. He explained the plan to convert the preferred parking lots into colored lots. It was noted that, as the University continues to build new academic facilities, those gated/preferred lots do not count as parking spaces by Coral Gables. Further, it was also noted that these lots have remained undersold, resulting in an inefficient use of parking spaces. After an ongoing assessment of parking needs, it was decided to look into how to repurpose preferred parking spaces into colored lots. Professor Donald Spivey inquired about what will happen once the gates are removed, and whether there will be an increase on parking enforcement agents to deter individuals parking in these lots. Mr. Sobaram stated that the Parking Department has increased their efforts and refined their methods on parking enforcement. Mr. Sobaram also indicated that his office has hired a new manager, who will explore an incentive program for those who use alternate methods to get to work such as biking or walking. Should someone require a mid-year parking change due to a change in work location, Mr. Sobaram stated that the request can be sent to the Parking Department via the Department Chair. The Parking Department is still evaluating all things related to parking issues around the campus, and many solutions are still under consideration. It was also noted that individuals, who are registered in the gated/preferred lots, will be grandfathered to receive a multi-zone parking permit.

Professor April Mann presented information on the 2016 Summer Writing Institute for faculty, which will take place between May 10-13, 2016 and on August 18, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Applications for the Summer Writing Institute will be accepted until April 19, 2016.

Dean Bachas gave a brief update on the College's budget. He noted that 1% of the College current budget will have to be reallocated to cover the costs of this year's salary/merit increase recommendations for faculty and staff.

Senior Associate Dean Kaifer mentioned that the Office of the Dean received only one application for the International Faculty Exchange Program. The application process will remain open until the target amount of up to three applications is met. Departments are encouraged to apply.

Dean Bachas mentioned that the QUADs will soon be providing their recommendations to the President. Following the release of their recommendations, there will be an open period for comments by the faculty. In the Fall, President Frenk will be meeting with faculty of the various schools and colleges. He is scheduled to meet with Arts & Sciences Faculty on September 15, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.; faculty will again have an opportunity to provide further input to the President.

Dean Bachas thanked the faculty who agreed to call the College's recently admitted students. This additional outreach effort will help the University and the College to convince students to attend the U. The Dean extended his gratitude to those faculty members who will judge the Research/Creativity and Innovation forum later this month.

The faculty were reminded that it is prohibited to hold undergraduate classes/seminars that meet on Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays once a week prior to 2:30 p.m.; the same is true on Tuesdays/Thursdays for once a week seminars or classes held before 2:00 pm. Laboratories and graduate courses are excluded.

3. Approval of the Proposal for a Minor in East Asian Languages and Literatures

After a lengthy discussion on this subject, the proposal for a Minor in East Asian Languages and Literatures is being placed on hold until the next academic year. It was noted that another proposal under a similar topic is being crafted. Dean Bachas indicated that it will be best to wait for a new or possibly a combined proposal to come forward in the next year.

4. Authorization to the College Council to act on behalf of the College Faculty during the summer months and until the first meeting of the Faculty

A motion to authorize the College Council to act on behalf of the College Faculty during the summer months until the first Faculty meeting of Fall 2016 was unanimously approved.

5. Faculty Senate Report

Professor Stephen Cantrell provided an update from the February 24, 2016 and March 30, 2016 Faculty Senate meetings. A proposal of the Parental Leave Policy was presented at the February 24 meeting; work is being done to update the proposal. The amended policy on Intellectual Property was approved at the March 30 meeting. The Budget Compensation report was also presented, as well as a presentation on updates on parking. More information on Senate meeting minutes is located on the Faculty Senate website.

6. Other Business

Dr. Hermann Beck's Cooper Fellow Lecture will be held Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 3:30 pm at the Miller Center Auditorium. All are invited.

The Faculty Scholarly and Creative Activities Recognition Awards reception will be held Monday, April 25, 2016 at 3:30 pm in the Wesley Gallery.

The Graduate Commencement ceremony will be held Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 4:00 pm at the Bank United Center.

The Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Commencement ceremony will be held Friday, May 6, 2016 at 8:30 am at the Bank United Center. A reception will immediately follow the ceremony in the lobby of the Cox Science building.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Title

Annual Approval of Voting Rights For EDUCATOR and RESEARCH Faculty

MOTION 1: For academic year 2016-17, the faculty of the College authorize RESEARCH faculty and EDUCATOR faculty to vote on:

a) reappointment and promotion of the same category of faculty of lower rank in their home department, and **b)** evaluation of their Chair, provided that the regular faculty in the home department have approved the extension of that right to the faculty in those two categories.

(Reference, provision from the Senate)

The REGULAR (i.e. tenured and tenure-track) faculty of a school can authorize RESEARCH faculty and EDUCATOR faculty to vote on some or all of the following: reappointment or promotion of the same category of faculty of lower rank, and evaluation of their chair and/or dean. (See *Faculty Manual*). However, this must be done annually by vote of the school's faculty.

September 2016



Proposal for a Change of Name for the Miami Institute for the Americas

In 2014, the Center for Latin American Studies that was created within the College of Arts and Sciences in 2000, was renamed the "Miami Institute for the Americas." The Institute is now proposing to change its name to that of the: **"University of Miami Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas."** This name change will reflect more accurately the institute's enhanced mission/vision and the scope of its work throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. The acronym U-MIA will replace MIA as the abbreviation of the Institute's name.