

# Department of Criminal Justice

## Faculty Meeting Minutes - November 22, 2019

**Location:** Clement Bldg. - Rm 132

**Date:** Oct. 25, 2019

**Time:** 10:30am to 11:30am

**Attendees:** Chair: Dr. Scott Culhane

Faculty: Dr. George Frogge, Prof. JM Genis, Dr. Megan Kienzle, Dr. Thomas O'Connor, Dr. James Prescott, Dr. Sarah Whiteford, Dr. Christopher Wright

Absent: NONE

Admin: Melissa Boyer

Guests: NONE

### Agenda items

#### 1. Dean Brown

Dr. Brown was unable to attend.

#### 2. Chair Report

##### A) Kudos

Kudos to Dr. Frogge and Dr. Wright for achieving the next step toward tenure - Provost approval!

##### B) Health Sciences Building

The Provost has recently indicated that it is looking very probable that our new Health Sciences building request will be approved. If that is the case, we could be looking at a Fall 2023 date for its completion.

##### C) VETPALS

Dr. Culhane worked on a THEC grant recently that was awarded \$150,000 to develop a program that would seek out current outstanding veteran students to become mentors. This program is looking at a potential Fall 2020 date.

##### D) "W" grades during automatic "F" period

The new system will be released on a trial run during the Spring 2020 semester. "W" grades will only be awarded during the automatic "F" period under extreme circumstances. The process for these to

be approved will be electronic rather than the current paper form, and will include the department chairs in the approval routings.

E) Grad program

Our proposal for the grad program was unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees, and will move forward as hoped.

F) BS National Security Studies

The new BS in NSS was also approved by the Board of Trustees. Dean Brown is handling the process going forward, and they will most likely be bringing in a consultant for the feasibility study.

G) Juvenile Facility grant

Dr. Culhane continues to work on this with the committee, and has understood that the mayor is still excited and insistent on APSU's participation.

H) CRJ 1010 & GSS 2010 and Gen Ed Core

These courses are both being sent thru Curriculog, and are currently waiting for review by the Gen Ed Committee.

**3. Program Review Update**

The self-study is now in the hands of the dean. Our review is scheduled for March 17, 2020. Please keep your calendar open for that date.

**4. Committees - Graduate Program and Curriculum**

Our department will need to form two new committees. One is needed for the graduate program, and one for curriculum. We will discuss this further in the future.

**5. Summer and Fall 2020 schedule**

If our current Wintermester course offerings all "make", we should be able to offer everyone at least one summer course. Dr. Culhane will crunch the numbers to see if enrollment would support some faculty being able to offer a second summer course. If we do this, we will need to set up a rotation schedule so that everyone has an opportunity for a "summer money" type offering (Wintermester, Maymester, Summer).

The Fall 2020 schedule will most likely be a copy of our current Fall 2019 schedule with just a few additions to accommodate additional courses needed by Dr. Kienzle and Dr. Whiteford.

In addition to schedule, we also discussed a proposal that is currently in the works to give APSU more a research focus. The proposal would allow current faculty to be grandfathered in for 5 years under the current criteria set up for RTP. After the 5 year period, the research expectations would increase. Any new hires would automatically go to the 3/3 schedule with higher research expectations.

Regardless, we need to look at Fall 2020 to update our departmental RTP criteria.

**6. Get together?**

We talked about finding a time for the department to get together, but the holidays don't work for everyone. We will look at this idea again in the Spring after our program review is over. It can be a celebration!

Action Items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
NONE			