TO: Faculty Senate Report

FROM: Jeff Gingerich.

Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

DATE: April 16, 2020

RE: Provost's Report for March

1. Library Dean Search

Susan Bowen has graciously agreed to chair the search committee for the Dean of the Library. Committee members are:

Colleen Farry Faculty Library Representative
Donna Witek Faculty Library Representative
Adam Pratt Faculty At-Large Representative

Michelle Pratt-McHugh Staff Representative Adrianna Smith Student Representative

Debra Pellegrino Administrative Representative Susan Bowen Administrative Representative

The committee will meet on Zoom to discuss our options for hiring a search consultant, next steps for the development of a position description, and timeline for the search. We hope to fill this position by January 2021.

2. Faculty Searches

We have successfully completed twenty-one faculty searches and are very excited about the next cohort of incoming faculty.

Lori Walton Physical Therapy

Mehmet Bastug Sociology, Criminal Justice & Criminology

Matthew Shea Philosophy
Amelia Randich Biology
Vincent Farallo Biology
Ashley Driver Biology

JoyAnna Hopper Political Science

Jason Shrive Sociology, Criminal Justice & Criminology

Christopher Hauser Philosophy Joshua Reynolds Psychology

Ziqian Song Operations & Information Management

Emily Gerstle Exercise Science & Sport

Paul Sampson History

Amir Zamanian Physics and Engineering

Christopher Fermaux
Joseph Klobusicky
Cristen Walker
Murong Xu
Jeh-Hyun Cho
Spencer Galen

Philosophy
Mathematics
Mathematics
Accounting
Biology

Brian Snee Communication and Media

3. Department Chairperson Elections

The results of the elections for fourteen department chairs are listed below:

Janice Voltzow Biology

Richard Plishka Computing Science Joseph Kraus English & Theatre

Marzia Caporale LA/W/S Thomas Shimkus Mathematics

W. Andrew Berger Physics/Engineering
Michael Allison Political Science
John Norcross Psychology

Maria Poggi Johnson Theology/Religious Studies

Maria Oreshkina Education Kimberly Subasic Nursing

Iordanis Petsas Economics/Finance

Satya Chattopadhyay Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship

George Aulisio Library

4. Diversity Initiatives

The Diversity Initiatives Review Board is accepting applications for the funding of diversity education programs through April 30, 2020. The Diversity Initiatives Fund is available to campus groups, departments or individuals seeking to promote a greater understanding of diversity through inclusive pedagogies, educational opportunities, multicultural activities and community outreach programs.

Due to the current circumstances, these grants may be used for an extended time frame – projects to be completed by December 2021.

5. Office of Research Services and Sponsored Programs

The following faculty and students have been awarded a President's Fellowship for Summer Research (2020)

- Arthur Catino/Jake Selingo -- Synthesis of Chiral Tetraarylmethanes
- Emily Hopkins/Danielle Cook -- Parent/Child Play
- Christopher Howey/Margaret McGrath -- Studying the Effects of Ambien Light at Night (ALAN) on the Natural Rhythmicity of Glucocorticoids
- Patrick Orr/Giovanni Gunawan -- Biochemical and Behavioral Effects of Prenatal Acetaminophen Exposure in C57Bl/6 Mue
- Dr. Anne Royer/Sarah White -- Testing maintenance of divergent "M. ringens" life histories with morphological differences, resource allocation, and inbreeding depression
- Dr. Marc Seid/Richard Terranova -- The Effects of social isolation on axonal pruning in the mushroom bodies of the ant "Pheidole dentata"
- Dr. Marc Seid/Cara Webster -- Army ant raiding as a learning tool for bat foraging behavior
- Dr. Jong-Hyun Son/Charles Dominick -- The effects of high-fat diets acetylcholine esterase during the central nervous system (CNS) development

- Dr. Maria Squire/Mahad Muhammad -- The Effects of Tylenol on Cortical and Trabecular Bone Quantity and Morphology in Adolescent Mole Mice
- Dr. Yamile/ Katina Ramirez -- Bilingual Edition of Abigail Mejia's work

6. Curriculum

New Course	Date Posted
MATH 312: Probability	3/10/20
MATH 314: Mathematical Statistics	3/10/20
S/CJ 211L: Research Methods and Statistics for the Social Sciences	2/25/20
CJ 340: Terrorism and Homeland Security	2/21/20
CJ 350: Emergency Management	2/21/20
CYBR 110: Foundations of Cybersecurity	2/21/20
CJ 250: Introduction to Homeland Security	1/16/20
CYBR 250: Cyber Intelligence	2/21/20
Course Change MATH 330: Actuarial Mathematics MATH 461: Complex Variables	3/10/20 3/10/20
CJ 231: Environmental Criminology	12/11/19
CJ 240: Cybercrime	12/11/19
CJ 311: GIS for Public Safety	1/16/20
ESPC 541: Principles of Behavior Change for Educators	1/24/20
Program Change MS Special Education P-8 and Grades 7-12 Tracks	1/24/20