Department of Journalism January 13, 2016 Weimer 2066

Attending Faculty: Calvert, Chance, Foley, Freeman, Kalyanaraman, Lewis, McAdams, Spiker, Walsh-Childers, Wanta

Guests: McFarlin, Kiousis

Meeting opens 8:30 a.m.

McFarlin and Kiousis updated the faculty on the future of the department with faculty positions. Intent is to replace Dodd's position, but not right away. Chance's change in status from executive director of the Brechner Center to nine-month faculty essentially works as a replacement for Dodd's position. Admin will allocate funds to bring in a professor in residence or staff position for one year. Determination of this position up to department.

McFarlin said search committee will be assembled to determine the future of Brechner to continue to elevate status of Brechner Center and FOIA focus.

Foley asked about budget issues; McFarlin explained about internal transitions and how recurring salary allotments don't come back automatically. McFarlin explained where potential funding sources may come from. McAdams asked about Brechner being a temporary position. McFarlin and Kiousis explained long-term obligation of and responsibility of Brechner position.

Spiker explained four possible scenarios for targeting people or subject areas for one-year positions. He urged faculty to see him or send an email on thoughts about priorities.

Innovators Series guest in Weimer today. Public talk at 6 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ted Spiker