Journalism Department meeting  
3/16/16  
8:30 a.m. Weimer 2066

Attending: Barnett, Calvert, Foley, Kaplan, Lewis, McAdams, Sheehan, Spiker, Walsh-Childers, Wells

Meeting begins 8:35 a.m.

Minutes approved.  
Spiker reviewed results from department survey. Lewis added department goal should be career placement—much bigger issue than just one thing. McAdams said students need sense of market, career trajectory, no understanding of possibilities. Barnett suggested Dave Doucette can spread info to high schools. Other suggestions: one-sheeter about careers and Lewis suggested interactive quiz. Sheehan asked if decision tree should be college-wide. Barnett updated on collaboration with various departments.

Spiker reviewed data from SLOs and told faculty that SLOs should not all show success and that the data should drive curriculum decisions. Sheehan suggested some changes in metrics for SLOs 2 and 3.

Spiker updated on curriculum committee and addition of Bridget Grogan as curriculum committee member. If TEL-NEWS has curriculum committee, it will add one of our members. Sheehan said no concrete plans for curriculum, but couple of ideas. Next steps, walking around building and talking about ideas. Big need for intermediate experiences.

UFO: Carlson has asked if we want to consider adding JOU major. Sheehan suggested table discussion until curriculum discussion.

Spiker updated faculty on Brechner search, Dodd’s position, status of Helga Williams. Spiker announced new young alum boot camp series (supported by College and High Cunningham fund)

Sheehan updated election night—live blogging, multi-platform. Lewis and McAdams updated on NICAR conference. We are outlier in how well we’re doing on data work. Students in many sessions

Meeting adjourned 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ted Spiker
Department of Journalism, April 13, 2016
9 a.m., Weimer 2066

Agenda
Approval of minutes
Courses in coding (curriculum committee)
4/1 programs (Kim Walsh-Childers)
Salary equity committee vote (Spiker)
Old/new business