Department of Journalism  
February 19, 2018, 11 a.m., Weimer 2066

Attending: Barnett, Calvert, Carlson, Chance, Foley, Freeman, Kaplan, Lewis, LoMonte, Lowe, McAdams, Rodgers, Spiker, Waddell, Walsh-Childers

Meeting begins at 11 a.m.

Minutes from 1/18/18 approved.

Spiker updated on a variety of topics: Advisory Council for March, results of faculty/student survey pending analysis, course descriptions, etc....

Spiker reported that assessment will get marked off in accreditation. That will likely change how we do SLOs. Spiker will work with curriculum committee on it.

McAdams updated on the investigative search. Dean asked to hold off candidates for on-campus interviews because one candidate dropped out. Need more diverse pool. Committee beating bushes for more candidates. Spiker updated on joint position in tel-jou sports comm. Walsh-Childers updated on status of global lecturers—digital storytelling candidates narrowed down, and narrative candidates are being narrowed down.

Lowe spoke on diversity of searches—“monumental opportunity” for college, and diversity is primary priority here (should not be competing priority—“whenever it is, it always loses”).

McAdams discussed diversity in SLOs and syllabus language. Department curriculum committee re-working SLOs. She discussed committee talk about where diversity should be in curriculum—required, units in courses, requirement for source diversity in all skills courses, etc... Suggested that we look at all required course (and others) for places to teach about diversity, ask to open minds to consider diversity, etc... Need to talk to adjuncts as well. Need to set up assessment for diversity in courses (measurable). Lowe presented language on diversity from his syllabus. Rodgers suggested source list focusing on diversity (Lowe to follow up re his 3346 class.)

Foley brought up classroom security. Calvert to bring up at UF faculty senate.

Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Spiker