

## Minutes of the CAS Faculty Senate Meeting of October 18, 2021

October 18, 2021, 4:02 PM – 4:39 PM

Attending: James Angelini, Jennifer M. Barker, Alan Fox, Katie Gwaltney, John Morgan, John Pelesko, Eric Rise, Jenn Trivedi, Nonie Bell, Patricia Burt, Erin Cassese, Jon Cox, Theodore Davis, Jr., Lawrence Duggan, Peter X. Feng, Deni Galileo, Christine Grogan, Dominique Guillot, Eynat Gutman, Richard Hanley, Adele Hayes, Jason Hill, Jenny Lobasz, Dilia Lopez-Gydosh, Edward Lyman, Nina Owczarek, Talley Ridgeway, Thomas Rocek, Kimberly Schroeder, Jorge Serrano, Jia Song, Rebecca Tollan, Shawna Vican

President Jennifer Barker conducted a poll indicating a quorum of senators was present.

The agenda was adopted.

Those voting then approved the minutes of the September 20 meeting.

President Jennifer Barker made a few remarks. John Morgan was appointed as Parliamentarian for the 2021-2022 academic year with confirmation from the executive committee. The executive committee has also approved a small temporary task force on the issue of open access publication. Senator Richard Hanley has agreed to serve on it. Others interested on serving on it can email President Barker.

Dean John Pelesko made a short presentation. Slides from the presentation are attached here.

The Center for the Study and Prevention of Gender Based Violence is available as a resource to talk to students, faculty, etc. as needed.

The University will be conducting a space study for CAS. Meetings with various departments will be taking place throughout October and November 2021, as will an upcoming survey, to gather more data.

The 2% F&A fund supporting the Arts & Humanities is part of the new budget model and will support faculty research in the arts and humanities. More information will be shared with department chairs soon.

Blue and Gold Saturdays are going well, showing the creativity of the departments.

CAS award winners have been surprised in their classes and a new cycle of nominations will begin in February.

Senator Deni Galileo asked about new faculty positions.

Dean Pelesko said he would get more exact numbers later but gave a rough estimate that about 80 searches have been approved across campus, about 39 of which have been in CAS. In an ordinary year pre-COVID, there would have been 110 – 120 searches. In CAS, about 20% of those positions have been TT, while the rest have largely been CT.

Senator Galileo asked a clarifying question about if it was unusual to have so many CT positions and, if so, why there were so many.

Dean Pelesko noted there were several things going on, including specific criteria from the Provost's office, efforts to maintain academic programs, acute teaching needs, converting temporary hires to full time hires, and different ratios between the university and college.

Senator John Morgan said he welcomed the conversion of temporary faculty positions to CT roles. He then asked about events at the university that required both the daily COVID survey to get a green check *and* providing proof of vaccination.

Dean Pelesko clarified that any event with non-UD people required both the daily check in and proof of vaccination for everyone.

Senator Morgan asked about the space survey and noted that results from a survey that included pandemic time might not be a clear reflection of normal use.

Dean Pelesko noted that the initial goal of the survey is to get a basic comprehensive idea of the space that CAS has, what needs to be prioritized, and how to use space moving forward.

The regular agenda passed unanimously with no comments or discussion.

We then moved into new business while Katie Gwaltney wrote up the needed polls for additional regular agenda questions on specific minors.

In new business, Senator Nonie Bell raised the topic of gender-based violence and asked about the University's response.

There was some discussion of the issue, the University's response to it, and student's perceptions of that response. Faculty were encouraged to reach out to and use events and resources made available by the Center for the Study and Prevention of Gender Based Violence. Questions of information distribution via social media, media, and the University itself were also raised, noted as part of an ongoing larger problem in higher education and democracy, but not resolved.

Senator Galileo raised the issue of ReCoop Day and how some departments had scheduled faculty meetings for that day, despite Provost Robin Morgan's plea at the Faculty Senate Meeting not to do so. Senator Galileo noted that this was a scheduled day of by the University and faculty, especially teaching faculty, needed it respected.

In returning to the regular agenda, the Material Culture Studies Minor was disestablished with no questions or discussion with a unanimous vote.

The Science Technology and Philosophy Minor was passed with no questions or discussion and a unanimous vote.

There was no additional new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM ET.

The background features a large, semi-transparent watermark of the University of Delaware seal. The seal is circular and contains an open book with the following text on its pages: 'GRAMM PHILOL RHETOR ETHICA' on the left and 'METAPH LOGICA MATHEM PHYSICA' on the right. Below the book, the year '1743' is visible. The outer ring of the seal contains the text 'UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE' and 'SIGILLUM UNIVERSITATIS DELAWARENSIS'.

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# Updates

- Center for the Study and Prevention of Gender-Based Violence
- Conversation and Comfort, South Green, 10/15, 11-1
- Teach in and Listening Session, Mitchell Hall, 10/19, 4-6

# Updates

- Space Study Meetings
- 2% F&A Fund supporting Arts & Humanities

# Blue and Golden Saturdays









# CAS Faculty Awards

- Agnes Ly, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Outstanding Teaching
- Devon Miller-Duggan, Department of English, Outstanding Teaching
- Jaclyn Schwarz, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Outstanding Scholarship
- McKay Jenkins, Department of English, Outstanding Scholarship
- Christine Cucciarre, Department of English, Outstanding Service
- Miranda Wilson, Department of English, Outstanding Advisement
- Jennifer Nauen, Department of Biological Sciences, Outstanding Advisement
- Ronet Bachman, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, Outstanding Faculty Mentoring
- Sharon Rozovsky, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Outstanding Advocacy

# October department events



- ❑ 10/16: Blue and Golden CAS Showcase, Gore Hall
- ❑ 10/20: POSCIR Lunch with the Professors, Virtual - [Media Coverage of Women Candidates in the 2020 Democratic Presidential Primary](#)
- ❑ 10/21: State of the College, CFA - <http://www.udel.edu/008743>
- ❑ 10/29: Philosophy Debate on Gun Control: Pro and Con, Gore Hall

Event Form: [CAS Event Request Form](#)

# November department events



- ❑ 11/3: UD Lawmaker Symposium, Gore Hall
- ❑ 11/4: Decolonizing U.S. History with Roxanne Dunbar Ortiz, Virtual
- ❑ 11/9: Nobel Prize Symposium, Gore Hall
- ❑ 11/10: Carter Series: Undesirability and Her Sisters: Black Women's Visual Work, Virtual
- ❑ 11/10: African American Humanities presents: Kamasi C. Hill, Virtual
- ❑ 11/13: Blue and Golden CAS Showcase, Gore Hall
- ❑ 11/17: POSCIR Lunch with the Professors, Virtual – Grand Strategies of Not so Grand Powers
- ❑ 11/20: STEAM Symposium, Clayton Hall

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