Department of Journalism Meeting, January 12, 2015

Begin 12:50 p.m..

Faculty Attending: Calvert, Carlson, Chance, Dodd, Foley, Freeman, Kaplan, Kalyanaraman, Lewis, McAdams, Rodgers, Sheehan, Spiker, Tripp, Wells

Minutes from 11/17 meeting approved.

Calvert updated department on itinerary of job candidate visiting at the end of January. He requested meal volunteers for lunches and dinners. Calvert asked Rodgers (graduate coordinator) to arrange a small group of students to meet with the candidate.

Lewis (chair of curriculum committee) presented proposal from curriculum committee for new SLOs and academic assessments. He reminded department that these metrics are designed to be assessable and not meant to be a comprehensive list of everything the department teaches. Not an assessment of a class. Chance asked about change in wording of legal SLO. Lewis responded that no change would be necessary in the test that measures it, but language is a little more specific as to what is being measured. Big change is that for all SLOs, data can be acquired in JOU 4201 Editing (News Practicum). Department unanimously voted to approve. Spiker to work with Weigold and Sheehan on implementation.

Freeman asked about policies on students who submit similar work to different classes. McAdams and Carlson explain their policies that they include on their syllabuses. Foley explained he doesn't have a policy. Wells elaborated on one student situation and suggested it be handled on case-by-case basis. Department agreed to have individuals develop own policy, make it clear on syllabus, and for those who have a policy to share it with the department.

Freeman reported a possible speaker with Gene Page, Walking Dead photographer and CJC alum.

Rodgers gave update on the graduate task force. He asked faculty to be aware of having master's students form committees early (as required by UF graduate school). McAdams expressed concern over students who expect to form committees and defend in the same semester, which is against policy.

Sheehan invited faculty to come to INC group meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. in Gannett.

Hon came to meeting to report on development in the search for chair. (Spiker excused himself from meeting.)

Meeting adjourned around 1:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Ted Spiker