Faculty Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Oct. 15, 2020 1:30-2:30

Present: Katie Hauser, Xiaoshuo Hou (scribe), Jason Ohlberg, Casey Schofield (chair)

- 1. Approved 10/8/2020 minutes
- 2. Update on elections

Possible motion in the spring to make faculty's preference ratings transparent on the ballot

3. Faculty meetings (CAS's meeting with Michael Orr)

Concerns were raised by a handful of faculty members regarding the tone and culture of faculty meetings with suggestions ranging from disinviting students to exploring the possibility of calling for executive session to changing tones in the Chat

Lack of conversations about community norms and expectations as we transition to Zoom meetings; should have such conversations

At the beginning of each meeting remind people of introducing oneself and the rules and norms

4. Update on faculty-administrative relations working group solicitation (CAS's meeting with Michael Orr)

A clearer definition of the "administration"

Do we need to have an administrator on the working group? The consensus of FEC is yes. It would be better to get feedback from the administration from early on.

Discussion on how to make the working group more functional

5. A faculty member's email about adding language in the Faculty Handbook to better protect faculty of color who are arrested off-campus – agenda item for the spring