Minutes from COAH Leaders Meeting
March 28, 2018
10:30 a.m. -- Dean's Conference Room

In Attendance: Pauline Gagnon, Elizabeth Kramer, Clint Samples, Meg Pearson, Jeff Zamostny, Kevin Hibbard, Janet Donohoe, Brad Darvas, Kevin Shunn, Steve Goodson

1. Minutes of the March 14 meeting were approved.

2. SOTA Director Chad Davidson reported that the School of the Arts had had a “good year” in 2017-2018 and previewed SOTA events that will take place in 2018-2019. Dean Gagnon noted that the president had made SOTA funding permanent.

3. Associate Dean Elizabeth Kramer announced that a Doodle poll would be forthcoming to determine a meeting time for the new Theme Year Committee. A handout on Orientation is forthcoming as well. She also reminded chairs of a grant that had recently been announced by e-mail for faculty who were beyond their third-year review.

Associate Dean Clint Samples provided information and instructions on the upcoming COAH Preview Day.

4. Dean Gagnon reviewed and praised the work of the COAH Online Learning Committee and discussed the implications of the elimination of eTuition funding with regard to Quality Matters training. She announced that COAH will be provided with an ABBYY Reader that will convert image documents (such as pdf files) into editable electronic formats. The reader should be available to faculty by summer in the COAH Conference Room. Beth René Roepnack will provide half-hour tutorials.

5. Associate Dean Kramer discussed the recently created Theme Year Committee. She stated that UWG values could provide possible themes. She expressed hopes that the committee would meet before the end of the semester.

6. Discussion of the recent Truth events indicated that there had been good community attendance and that connections had been formed with high school students and faculty.

7. Chairs provided names of departmental nominees for an XIDS2100 Committee. Discussion ensued regarding how many members the committee should have and how they should be chosen. It was decided that there would be two members selected by online vote. Dean Gagnon indicated that members will receive a stipend for meeting a couple of times over the summer.

8. Attendees were reminded that Philosophy’s Meeting of the Minds event would take place that evening.

Steve Goodson