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AGENDA Gulf Coast Faculty Council Meeting Wednesday, December 1, 2021 11:45 – 12:45 PM Teams

Present: Holt, Stanfield, Lamey, Zantow, Funk, Anderson, Wu, Franke, Zhang, Lansford, Rishel, Naquin, Agler

- Call to Order by President David Holt
- Motion to accept the agenda; second; motion carries unanimously
- Motion to approve November 03, 2021, minutes; second; motion carries unanimously
- Program None
- ➤ Officer Reports
 - President Holt
 - Campus Life Committee Meeting
 - CLT meeting 11/29/21
 - Notes available: iTech lost several team members
 - Rob and Janet leaving this semester
 - IVN cross-training will be needed next year
 - COVID Vaccination Proof deadlines approaching—Dec. 8th is deadline (HR internal deadline is Dec. 3rd)
 - Enrollment slightly decreased overall
 - Oceans in Action March 2022—big event for Gulf Park
 - President-elect No Report
 - Secretary- Health Center offers boosters for COVID 19
 - Secretary-elect No report

Old Business

- Report from Ad Hoc Committee for GCFC Representation—Lamey
 - Discussed rewriting bylaws
 - Determine numbers of representation from each of the 3 new schools and other Coastal duties for faculty
 - All faculty count for representation, but those at the administrative level may not serve
 - Verify faculty on a shared spreadsheet in Files
 - Schools will be notified to elect GCFC representatives in Feb. and voting typically held in March 2022
 - Still unclear what University College means—some faculty have been added to it
 - Jamie will ask librarians if they prefer to remain a stand-alone group to elect a representative or if we would like to become part of a larger group of faculty on Coast not associated with a specific school

- New Business
 - Rishel—Senate included representation for research faculty. Faculty Senate Update no report
 - Gulf Coast Program Development Update
 - Sustainability Studies BA close to completion
 - Sustainability Science Degree Program
 - Degree plan—General Science background
 - Several minors available
 - New courses available
 - Data Analytics program will be placed with IDS
 - Possible Data Science master's
 - Marine biology will be completely on Coast by august 2022
 - Moved from BEES to SOSE
 - Wu-Curriculum discussed, no voting yet
 - Zhang: a few new courses offered
 - Rishel—no new faculty lines planned for Computer Science
 - Discussions about Applied CS Program going fully online
 - Applied computing degree may be moved online with the pursuit of accreditation
 - Vote to ask faculty senate GCFC rep to ask about affiliate status for SoCR faculty that are not affiliated with any particular school
- Announcements: **Upcoming Events/ Meetings:** February 2, 11:45
- > Adjourn

Jamie Stanfield