

PPC Meeting Notes February 28, 2023

Present: Walter Robinson, Sarah Carrier, and Michael Taveirne, Hernan Marchant, Harriet Edwards, Leda Lunardi

Absentees: James Scalise, Harriet Edwards, and Nilakshi Phukan

Convened at 3 p.m.

Agenda:

- Approval of the Meeting Notes (in the Google Drive) from January 17
- Discussion of participants and questions for the April 4 Faculty Senate panel on large enrollment online courses

Numbers in classes - IOC will campus cap enrollments

How are faculty protected/supported

Possibility of combining sections

Numbers creep

What is the capacity of class?

Michael - 200+, some undergrad graders

Better, more timely feedback in smaller section

Big than 200 isn't workable - just logistics of communication

Sarah - student's perspective, not getting personal attention

Michael - information is out there - student is paying for expertise (including instruction)

Students use faculty as "bot" or techs not experts

Panel - in-person large (Chemistry, why in person), Michael, ES (?),

Lori Petrovich from Chemistry (would be good)

Is this discussion about a cap?

"We are not University of Phoenix"

Mental health connection

What do we want to ask: Michael Vepraskas

Management? (Ask Tamah)Bowley,Kayla Teaches 300 person in-person M100

Diversity of rank/status: Michael is Assoc. Teaching Prof.

Leda: Engineering - online are restricted
Do faculty know students?

Herman - SCH model

- Any new items or topics from committee members

Mental health task force
Chronicle article structure with flexibility

Michael - online courses have to be highly structured, students may not like this (but research supports structure)

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:15 PM