

GUEST SPEAKERS: None

OPEN COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

- I. Approve 4/13 Minutes: Bill motions to approve, Jane seconds. 2 people abstain. Approved.
- II. SFC approved faculty request for supplemental funding is working. Professor Fred Roden had a field trip approved. It was a small amount of money, Bill will forward future original requests to the rest of the members. Process seems to work.
- III. Discussion points with Director Souder: Bill sent an email with discussion points to him. He hasn't gotten a response back yet. SFC council wanted to follow up on a few points, especially the continuous issues with printer/copier issues. Bill will continue to push to get a response.
New issue: Marie states that they have no water in the generic chemistry lab. Water was leaking in the police office at the beginning of the semester. She was told there's a leak between the two floors and said it would be fixed, but it hasn't been fixed. It's been an issue all semester. For some labs you can manage, for some you can't. The facility person is retiring and Marie is wondering if UConn Stamford would actively replace that person, because they need this problem fixed. The water is technically running, but it is leaking when it's turned on. Marie needs this issue brought up to Souder. Bill will send him an email regarding this issue. Marie will write up a note to Bill and he'll pass it on. – Bill will also mention that faculty members should be acknowledged every school year; right now the faculty nomination awards are only applicable to full-time faculty. Bringing these issues up to Souder will hopefully mean that the new director will be briefed on them as well when they take over.
- IV. No speakers lined up. No guest speakers lined up for the fall. Meredith is suggesting a person from 'Community Standards' to discuss issues of plagiarism etc. Beth suggests that we should invite someone from the search committee for the new president of UConn. According to Claudia and Meredith UConn are offering listening sessions for this particular search and that search might be too far removed to be applicable for us directly at Stamford. Upcoming listening sessions are being emailed out to faculty.
- V. SFC Council Election:
 - A. Call for nominees: 1 nominee (Jonathan Gilbert, IIR) has come forward for STEM/PIR.
 - B. Beth will send emails to Business, Bill will send emails to Engineering to drum up nominations for the council.
 - C. Meredith, Beth, and Bill will send out reminder about nominees when the by-laws are put up on the SFC Website. <https://draft.facultycouncil.stamford.uconn.edu/> Meredith is still missing 2 bios from Marie and Carol Ann. Meredith added the list of

spring semester meetings and uploaded the meeting minutes. Meredith will ask William what the best way is to upload the meetings in a structured way. We could make the site go live, because it's a draft link right now. Meredith will email William and ask.

D. There will be for certain three current council members on the ballot.

E. Michael Bailey will run the election.

VI. Marie and Carol Ann need to send their bios to Meredith.

VII. Proposal for the SFC meetings to be once a month instead of twice a month. Beth is stating that we might want to wait for the new incoming council members to make that decision. Claudia suggesting to meet once a month and also meet with the new director once a month. We could also suggest 1-2 council members to have the monthly meetings with the new director and rotate the members, because there's no need to always meet with the entire council. – **Director Meeting Cadence: Voting on once a month meeting with the director with 1 full-time and 1 adjunct member at minimum (minimum of 2 members if adjunct member is not available). Up for vote, no objections, no abstains. Everybody in favor: yes.** – **SFC Meeting Cadence: either remain at twice a month or once a month. Council voted: 6 to 5 in favor of twice a month for the fall.** – **Voting on advisory role of SFC to the director, Beth will just come up with a sentence or two to add the language to the by-laws regarding this role, Carol Ann will join.**

VIII. Next council meeting is on Wednesday, May 4. Will be canceled. Everyone is in favor of canceling the meeting.

IX. Will wait to schedule first council meeting in the fall via Doodle. Stephanie will do that.