

Camden Faculty Council Meeting
Minutes from Monday, September 16, 2024
Zoom, 11:20 AM – 12:20 PM

Attendees (alpha order): Janice Beitz , Maureen Donaghy, Bill Fitzgerald, Haydee Herrera, Bernardo Hiraldo, Tim Knievel, Chris Lim (outgoing chair), Sam Rabinowitz, Zara Wilkinson,

Absent: Uncertain - the Council is evaluating expired terms.

Administrators present: Sandra Richtermeyer, Naomi Marmorstein, Mike Sapanic.

1. The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m.
2. Introductions
3. Provost update:
 - a. Many new opportunities for lecturers:
 - i. Workshop last semester on lecturer promotions
 - ii. August: new lecturer orientation (virtual)
 - iii. Last week, a welcome event was held for lecturers. There were attendees from all four academic units on campus.
 - b. The Provost asked for the Council's engagement in communicating to faculty in their areas/units to ensure they understand the processes critical in supporting students (e.g., academic support, mental health, other signs of distress, communicating opportunities, etc.)
 - c. New faculty orientations (virtual & in-person events in August and September were very well attended)
 - i. Article on new faculty just released by Marketing and Communications
 - ii. Library exhibit on new faculty will be available through the end of the fall semester. The provost encouraged all Faculty Council members to view the exhibit. She also expressed appreciation to the library for the exhibit.
 - d. NTT promotion email to be distributed soon (a new and welcome process that should be routine going forward)
 - e. Faculty welcome breakfasts – please encourage attendance
 - f. Chancellor's Welcome Barbeque was held on 8/20. Extremely well attended (over 700 attendees including undergraduate students, graduate students, families, staff, faculty, etc.)
 - g. Convened academic advisors over the summer
 - i. The focus is on sharing best practices, discussing process challenges, and improving communications between all academic areas involved in these critical student functions.
 - h. Chancellor Tillis is looking forward to attending a Faculty Council meeting soon.

4. Faculty Council Election:
 - a. Nominations were requested, and Zara Wilkinson was nominated as Chair
 - b. Vote: unanimous in favor of Zara Wilkinson
5. Some Council positions in flux—Bill and Zara will look into terms and coordinate any votes that may be necessary
6. Meeting schedules: Zara will send out potential dates
 - a. Agenda items were requested
 - i. Chancellor addressing the group (Provost also mentioned – see above)
 - ii. Rutgers Day (spring 2025)
7. Appreciation was expressed for Chris Lim's service as chair
8. Naomi announced faculty writing groups and lunch & learns
1. Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm