

## **FO Minutes**

## August 20, 2019

## Next FO Meetings: 9/20 (11am), 10/18 (10am), and 11/22 (11am)

- Dean's Report (see attached pdf)
- Academic Dean's Report (see attached pdf)
- Prof. Emswiler: Lancaster Professors' Project
  - Professors from Lancaster wish to join a future FO Meeting to discuss ongoing research projects. There's some opportunity here to collaborate with USCU's Research Club as well. Stay tuned.
- Dr. Sixta Rinehart: Faculty Lounge and Senate Executive Committee
  - Proposes a revived faculty lounge on the second floor of Main Building. Perhaps schedule monthly faculty lunches. More to follow.
  - PC Faculty Senate meet in Columbia on 9/27. Executive Committee meets on 8/23 to discuss upcoming charges.
- Dr. Aziz: Fresh Check and other events
  - Fresh Check (Mental Health Awareness) will take place on campus on 9/18.
    Please consider canceling or modifying classes so students can attend this important event.
  - We are reapplying for the Opportunity Scholars Program to return to USCU. Fingers crossed we can bring this vital program back to our campus.

- First Generation Student Day will (tentatively) be held during the week of Nov 4-8. Please be on the lookout for emails concerning this recognition and celebration of first generation college students.
- Blood Drive will take place on 9/23. \$20 Walmart Gift Cards for those who donate.
- Dr. Pisano: USCU Faculty Representation on website and Movie Series
  - Discussion about the need for better representation of faculty on the USCU website. Please contact Annie Smith with suggestions for personal representation: i.e. education history, publications, conferencing, teaching and research interests etc.
  - Please consider participating in the Fall 2019 Movie Series. Films will be shown on Fridays at 1:30. Please email pisanoa#mailbox.sc.edu with any film titles/dates.
- Dr. Charles's Party at 2pm!
  - Thanks to Mimi and Dr. Charles for opening their home to our faculty gathering. A good time was had by all.

## In attendance

Dr. Fouts

Dr. Lowe

Dr. Pisano

Brandon Simpson

Dr. Charles

Neill Hance

Gale Ashmore

Dean Catalano

**Kevin Torres** 

Dr. Lowell

Dr. Aziz

Dr. Maire-Afeli

Dr. Anderson

Dr. David Hudson

Dr. Debbie Hudson

Prof. Ivey

Dr. Sixta Rinehart

Prof. Emswiler

Dr. Lownes

Dr. Morris