**CLAS Council**

**December 12, 2019**

**Attending**: Michael Abeyta, Michelle Comstock, Maria Fernandez, Nick Fisk, Gabriel Finkelstein, Stephen Hartke, Darryl Mehring, Annika Mosier, Erik Olson, Sarah Tyson, Anna Warrener, Andrea Velazquez

**Minutes**: October Minutes approved.

**Recording**: Karen Fennell

**Science Fair**: Sasha Breger Bush

* Asking for an ad hoc committee to judge proposals for the science fair to help high school students by reviewing their proposals and give feedback on them.
* We are in need of a review process for the students’ proposals and the rigor of the scientific content.
* The work for the projects is already complete.
* Sasha will forward more information from the Dean after this meeting for departments to disseminate to faculty and potentially graduate students to participate.

**Revising Teaching Criteria for Tenure:**

* The Regents are asking for revisions to bylaws regarding teaching.
* The justification is that when you go for excellence in research you are externally reviewed; excellence in teaching should also have external evaluation.
* The challenge is to incorporate off campus instructional components into your teaching.
* There were concerns about where the time would come from to do these additional excellence in teaching activities and how to take advantage of current on-campus/off-campus options like internships.
* There was discussion about whether instructional relationships at other CU campuses or AMC count as beyond the instructional or beyond the campus setting.
* Workshop hours on campus and other activities on campus could be considered eligible as demonstrating activities beyond the classroom (as opposed to beyond the campus) depending on how the department writes their bylaws.
* There was discussion about what was the final language change for the policy and what language departments should be working with for revising their bylaws. Clarification is necessary from Nelia Vivieros and Joanne Addison about the actual language.
* The deadline is January 24 for the new bylaws to be submitted and approved.