

Committee on Teaching and Research Faculty (CTRF) Meeting #8 Minutes
Tuesday October 31th, 2023
2pm-3pm

Meeting held on Zoom

Members in attendance: Drew Brodeur (Chair, CBC), Joe Aguilar (Secretary, HUA), Althea Danielski (HUA), Steve Kmiotek (CHE)

1. **Approve minutes #7.** The minutes were reviewed and approved without changes.
2. **COG update.** Committee Member Kmiotek gave a recap of the Board of Trustees meeting, which covered key areas including the direction of the mental health task force, along with draft guidelines around processes surrounding academic freedom issues. More detailed information from the mental health task forces conversation will be reflected in the COG minutes, and draft academic freedom guidelines will be shared at the faculty meeting.
3. **COACHE working group update.** Chair Brodeur attended the COACHE working group meeting and reported on it. The working group was able to glean plenty of useful data from the general survey results, and they will group responses by faculty category (TRT, TT, etc.). It is COACHE policy not to allow data collection on adjuncts. Chair Brodeur advocated for adding custom questions specific to research professors.

The CTRF Committee discussed other possible COACHE question topic areas targeting secured faculty members, such as their sense of agency on campus, whether they feel like their academic freedom is protected, whether they feel like they can speak their mind openly, and whether they feel mentored and/or supported.

4. **Review sabbatical motion draft.** The Committee agreed to address the sabbatical motion draft next week, in preparation for their meeting with the Provost on Wednesday 11/08.

The committee adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Aguilar

CTRF Secretary