**­­College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Faculty Association**

**Meeting Minutes**

**1/25/2018**

**9:00 am in 104F Hutcheson**

Call in information: 1-866-842-5779 Code: 5402314152

Attendance- Alan Grant, Jennifer Jones, Catherine Larochelle, Jon Vest, Ryan Stewart

1. **Call to order**
2. **Approval of previous minutes (November 2017)-approved unanimously**
3. **Dean’s Update**
   1. President Sands provided an update on Beyond Boundaries, which Dean Grant encouraged all faculty to read. This effort will provide an opportunity for Provost Clarke to work with colleges to engage faculty in the decision-making process. The performance incentive-based budget (PIBB) model is moving forward with a partial implementation in July 2018 and with continual tweaking.
   2. The School of Plant and Environmental Sciences (SPES) has been approved by SCHEV, with budgetary authority beginning July 1, 2018. The new director, Michael Evans, will begin in April 2018.
   3. Rick Rudd, current department head of ALCE, will be stepping down later this year. Matt Hulver, current department head of HNFE, will also be stepping down.

Searches for their replacements will soon be held.

* 1. A number of faculty searches are currently underway.

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

CALSFA Banner has been purchased – reimbursement needs to be processed.

Coffee with CALS resulted in a total expenditure of $156.69

1. **New Business**
   1. CALSFA activities in Spring 2018
      1. CALS new faculty event-2/23/18- “Ut Prosim-That I May Serve”. CALSFA will provide an overview of opportunities to become involved in departmental, college, and university governance. The officers identified a list of faculty members who currently serve on one or more college- and university-level committees to speak at the event, and will invite them to participate. These speakers will provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities of various committees, and will highlight opportunities for service to the broader community and service learning opportunities for students.
      2. Social event – type and potential date. CALSFA will host a social event later this semester, date and time still to be determined.

* 1. Review the bylaws: modifications to officer’s title and duties
     1. The CALSFA executive committee discussed eliminating the President Elect position and splitting the Treasurer/Secretary position into two. This change would result in the Vice President assuming most of the responsibilities currently given to the President Elect, and would better balance responsibilities across all executive officer positions. Catherine will develop a proposed modification to the bylaws, which will be discussed and voted on at the next meeting.

1. **Adjourn at 10:00 am**
   1. Next meeting 2/13/18