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Psychology Department Friday, February 19, 2021 1:00 pm, Zoom <u>https://zoom.us/j/99482396746</u>

- Present: Professors Alcalá, Beals, Ben Hagai, Blackman (chair), Blandón-Gitlin, Gerkens Goetz, Lukaszewski, Marelich, Mearns, Morton, Navarick, Nguyen, Okado, Panza, Peissig, Preston, Roberts, Scher, Segal, Stohs, Sy, Trevitt, Weisman-Davlantes, Zettel-Watson Student Representatives: De Pace, Hassan
- On Leave: Professors Ahmed, Self, Espinoza
- Excused: Professor Mori

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Blackman, Chair.

1.	Important Dates		
	Friday	March 12	Next Faculty Meeting
	Friday	March 19	Psychology Day

2. <u>Announcements</u>

- Dr. Blackman announced fantastic news about the budget; \$229,000,000 will not be cut from the CSU budget as indicated earlier (no furloughs, etc.)—more to come.
- Dr. Blackman announced that as part of enrollment management, (to control how many students are admitted each year) chairs were asked for their ideal enrollment. She indicated 3,000 for the total number of majors (currently we are at 3,200) with 900 freshman admits and 2100 upper-division transfers. Taking into consideration the change of majors (adding 50 or more per year) she may drop the number to 2900.
- Dr. Blackman announced that the department has a new ASAII (taking over for Phil's position) starting on March 3, Linda Wright. She is coming from EIP, as they are currently undergoing a restructuring of the division. We will be assessing the duties of the two ASAII positions (Noel and Linda) and will keep faculty posted on who will be doing which duties. Daniel will be handling book orders for fall and summer '21.
- Dr. Blackman announced the sad news that Linda Pabon's grandfather passed away and she is taking time off to go to Colombia; she asked faculty to keep her in their thoughts; she will be away from the office for a few more days.
- Dr. Blackman congratulated Drs. Stohs and Panza on their sabbaticals awarded for Fall '21.
- Dr. Blackman congratulated Dr. Preston on her appointment as the FDC Quantitative Research Support Coordinator.
 Dr. Blackman thanked the donors that have donated funds to the Department; there are several emeriti, current faculty and alumni.
- Dr. Gerkens reminded faculty to email him if they want to add their class to SONA for extra credit. In addition, with online research, there is way in Qualtrics to have the credit automatically granted when participants reach the end of the survey. He will add the instructions to the FAQ part of the website or faculty can email resadmin@fullerton.edu and the instructions can be sent to you.

- Dr. Stohs asked faculty to sponsor interns for the summer (and possibly fall) for help with Canvas and grading, review videos or Power Point slides. The students are great and very motivated. Noel will be sending out the request soon and then the list will be sent to the registered students. Dr. Sy also mentioned that if committee chairs need help with some of their committee work that a student can handle, that would be another way to help a student and lighten the load.
- Dr. Blackman announced that she will be working on the spring '22 schedule soon; she is finishing up the fall '21 and will move on to spring and asked faculty to keep an eye out for that.

3. <u>Minutes</u>

M/S/P (Ben Hagai, Sy) to approve the Minutes of January 29, 2021 as distributed.

4. <u>Committees</u>

Honors & Awards – Dr. Preston reminded faculty that the awards application deadline is 3/1 and asked them to encourage their students to apply. The Outstanding MA and MS nominations should be submitted to Linda Pabon. The Loh Seng Tsai deadline is 3/15. She will send out a reminder next week.

MA – Dr. Gerkens reported that there are 49 solid MA applications. The committee is going through them now and plan to make offers soon.

MS – Dr. Mearns reported that there are 39 complete applications this year. Dr. Blackman asked faculty to let her know of students or alumni that are accepted to graduate programs so she can put their achievements in the *In the Loop* newsletter, which is also posted on our website.

Psychology Day – Dr. Roberts reported that it is not too late for students to enter their presentations for the research component of Psychology Day. He also asked faculty to encourage their students to watch so there will be a bigger audience. Dr. Blandon-Gitlin commented that Dr. Ben Hagai has done an amazing job as chair of Psychology Day and that we have an amazing schedule. The program will go out early next week and she encouraged everyone to participate. She also indicated that Dr. Roberts has been working hard at putting together the different parts of the program, and Dr. Stohs has put together the internships. Dr. Ben Hagai thanked everyone for their support. There was a question about tracking students for extra credit; a grad student will be available to do this--the students can put their name, class number and professor in the chat.

Meeting adjourned.