### RECORDING: Connie Stephens MEETING TIME: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

**PRESIDING:** J. Michael Mathis, Ph.D. **MEETING LOCATION:** Zoom

**PRESENT:** Berg, Borgmann**,** K. Clark, R. Cunningham, T. Cunningham, Dossou, Fogelman, Fudala, Goulopoulou, Gregory, A. Griffin, Hodge, Inman, Johnson, Jones, Lam, Mathis, Menegaz, Meyer, Nguyen, Phillips, Rickards, Simecka, Smith, Stephens, Sumien

**ABSENT:** R. Mallet

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| **Topic/Agenda Item** | **Discussion/Conclusion** | **Action/ Recommendation** | **Responsible Person(s)** |
| **Minutes** | Dr. Sumien moved to approve the January minutes. Dr. Berg seconded. Motion carried. | Post minutes to website | C. Johnson & C. Stephens |
| **Dean’s Update** | * Dr. Mathis discussed the Spring Semester classes are going well.
* Recruitment is also going well.
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| **Library Update** | * Course reserves available within our catalog if it is of interest for any professors
* Library as study space updated hours 7 days a week from noon-11 pm. It is for quiet study, please remind students to social distance and that masks are mandatory within the building
* Working out kinks in locker system, almost ready to launch. Will have reserves, test prep, 4th floor books, hotspots, and computers available for circulation. More information to follow.
* New website rolling out in a few weeks (Feb 23/24)
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| **Graduate Student Association Update** | * Awarded 1 GSA Travel Award this past month to help cover virtual scientific event registration fees for a student
* February GIST: February 15th, 4-5PM, [https://unthsc.zoom.us/j/84541640541](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Funthsc.zoom.us%2Fj%2F84541640541&data=04%7C01%7CConnie.Stephens%40unthsc.edu%7C3cbc2f97974b4ac652f108d8ce2c27c0%7C70de199207c6480fa318a1afcba03983%7C0%7C0%7C637486036489087637%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=W1uNeGjDpp1oLwxaaH9LN5KoyMSMngZ8%2F8O%2FwJavKu4%3D&reserved=0)
* Nominations for next year's GSA officers will open week of February 15th
* Encourage student body to attend GSBS Diversity Speaker Series
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| **Center for Academic Performance Update** | * Meeting with a plethora of students, 77 Learning Specialist appointments.
* Record number of tutor requests since January:

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| Endocrine Physiology | 2 |
| Gross Anatomy | 24 |
| Neuromuscular Physiology | 6 |
| Physiology | 28 |
| Structural Anatomy | 6 |
| **Grand Total** | **66** |

* We will begin tutor recruitment in early March and will be sending out a notice to all students regarding the application process.
* We will be surveying all students to see what resources they are currently using in CAP and if there is anything else we can do to support them.
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| **Dean Awards** | Academic and Research Awards were approved to move forward with the current criteria. Discussed a third award for Specialized Masters. Drs. Hodge, Rickards, and Mathew will meet separately to determine the criteria for this Award. The deadline is March 1, 2021 for all of the Dean Awards. |  |  |
| **Graduate Faculty Nominations** | Dr. Fudala moved to approve Dr. Dickerman for professional affiliate graduate faculty membership. Dr. Berg seconded. Motion carried.Dr. Phillips moved to approve Dr. Thorpe for professional affiliate graduate faculty membership. Dr. Smith seconded. Motion carried.  |  |  |
| **Summer Classes** | Discussed to have all Summer Classes on campus if possible. The OQE will also be done on campus (face to face) unless a plausible reason has been given and approved. |  |  |
| **Motion to adjourn** | There being no further business, Dr. Goulopoulou moved for adjournment. Dr. Sumien seconded. Motion carried.  |  |  |