

Welfare Council Minutes
January 27, 2016
8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 202 Tigert

Attendees:	Ray Thomas	Margaret Temple-Smith
Amanda House	Jodi Gentry	Ray Issa
Mei-Fang Lan	Angel Kwolek-Folland	Daniella Saetta
Karen Whalen	Sue Alvers	

Karen Whalen called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and the December minutes were approved.

Faculty Club

Karen updated the committee on the Faculty Club. The planning is continuing however it will not be located in University House. The Club will be a new building with a conference center and Welcome Center. A decision has not been made on location.

Music Building

Ray Thomas presented the current draft of the Music Building resolution. It has already been approved by the Infrastructure Council. Ray Issa made a motion to approve the resolution with Amanda House seconding. The motion was approved. This will now be presented to the Steering Committee.

[Draft Whitepaper on Teaching Assessment](#)

- The council continues to work on the draft whitepaper that was written by Chris Hass last year. Once the draft is approved by the council, Karen will then talk to Chris and then meet with Mike Kane in the CALS.
 - It was emphasized that the white paper is recommended to be a guideline for peer assessment to help the instructor be teach more effectively. It should not be used for annual evaluations.

New Business

- Daniella asked where a student would go if they thought that the university was not supporting research of a faculty member. She is concerned if the university doesn't assist with support, the faculty member will leave.
 - Suggestions: contact Vice President Student Affairs, go to the Department Chair, Dean or Provost.
 - Daniella suggested that there should be one central place for students to voice their concerns about their instructor.

The Welfare Council meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.