Attending:

- **Department of Art and Art History:**
  - Andrea Bolland, Margaret Bohls, Santiago Cal, Mark Cole, Eddie Dominguez, Dana Fritz, Aaron Holz, Elizabeth Ingraham, Karen Kunc, Mo Neal, Pete Pinnell, Francisco Soto, Aaron Sutherlen, Colleen Syron, Marissa Vigneault

- **Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film:**
  - Bill Grange, Steve Kolbe, Laurel Shoemaker, Harris Smith, Janice Stauffer, Paul Steger, Sharon Teo-Gooding, Sandy Veneziano

- **School of Music:**
  - Scott Anderson, John Bailey, Diane Barger, Karen Becker, Doug Bush, Tony Bushard, Kate Butler, Ann Chang, Peter Eklund, Anthony Falcone, Paul Haar, Donna Harler-Smith, Damon Lee, Peter Lefferts, Susan Levine Ourada, Christopher Marks, Alan Mattingly, Jeff McCray, William McMullen, Brian Moore, David Neely, Glenn Nierman, Jaime Reimer, Eric Richards, John Richmond, William Shomos, Tyler White, Robert Woody, Brenda Wristen

- **Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts:**
  - Charles O’Connor, Christin Mamiya

- Non-voting attendees: Jemalyn Griffin, David Bagby, Phil Redfern, Sara Fedderson, Linda Luedtke, Rebecca Bennitt

1. **Opening Remarks**
   a. Dean Charles O’Connor welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. He began by listing some special events that have happened this past year or will be happening.
      - The School of Music became the Glenn Korff School of Music through the generosity of the late Glenn Korff.
      - The Mary Riepma Ross Film and New Media Center received a large endowment from the late Ms. Ross that will secure its future.
      - Our College will be merging with the College of Architecture by July 1, 2015.
   b. Dean O’Connor then told the faculty how much he appreciated all their good work day in and day out and he particularly wanted to thank the faculty for their recruiting efforts and enrollment growth in their programs.
   c. Stacy Asher, Aaron Sutherlen, and Colleen Syron in the Department of Art and Art History, and Dave Hall in the Glenn Korff School of Music were then congratulated on completing their first academic year in the College.
   d. Ed Stauffer, who is retiring, was recognized for his 35 year career in the Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film.

2. **Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2013**
   Professor Eddie Dominguez moved the minutes be approved; Professor Harris Smith seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.
3. **Proposed Bylaw Amendment Change**
   a. Christin Mamiya went over the proposed Bylaw Amendment change before it was voted upon.

9.3.5 **Functions and responsibilities**
The Committee’s general responsibility is to supervise undergraduate curricula in the College. The committee shall consider student need, duplication, intellectual content, and relationships with other College and university programs. The committee’s specific duties are to:

9.3.5.3 make recommendations to the College faculty regarding changes in degree requirements within the College and to interpret these requirements in cases of uncertainty.

**Change to**
9.3.5.3 to interpret degree requirements in cases of uncertainty.

b. A motion to make the change was made by Brian Moore and seconded by Pamela Starr. Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Update on College Merger**
   a. Dean O’Connor began by reassuring the faculty that things are going to be OK and this merger process will take some of their time over the next few years but that is the obligation and responsibility that we share in governing this College. The most visible result of the merger will be only one Dean and that will be Dean O’Connor. By combining two dean’s offices greater efficiencies should be gained in business, budget and finance, academic support operations, IT, advising, recruiting, PR and fundraising. This merger is intended to help both colleges better align with the goals of the university to grow enrollments, increase retention and graduation rates, and advance research and creative activities.

b. Our College and the College of Architecture have a common interest in expanding academic programs in areas such as industrial design, visual communication and design, interactive media and game design, animation, and computer visualization. No additional resources will be directed toward the fields of design as a result of this merger but ways to collaborate and share existing resources must be found.

c. Our existing and essential academic programs even the small ones must be preserved. Small class size and small programs cost money, and must be balanced by the larger courses and programs that bring in more students and dollars. By combining the resources of both colleges, we should be able to do so.

5. **Time Line**
   March/April 2014 Small Group Meetings (Led by Marjorie Kostelnik, Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences. Everyone attending has opportunity to ask questions and express concerns and ideas regarding the merger in a safe and candid way.)

   May 6 Meeting of the combined colleges, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. with a reception to follow at the Champions Club, Stadium Drive
(Dean Kostelnik will compile a list of your comments to be shared with everyone at this meeting and a planning committee will be selected.)

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By the time a proposal is presented to the APC and the Regents next year, a name for the college, its administrative structure, and its general goals and mission will have been determined. Other things, will take more time like common by-laws, committee structures, and the P&T process. The Dean then thanked everyone for their participation, patience and cooperation.

6. **Announcements**

Dean O’Connor inquired if there were any other questions, new business, or announcements. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned and refreshments followed.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Linda Luedtke – Assistant to the Dean*