Chair Sandra Silberstein called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

Chair Silberstein asked council members to vote on approving the amended February minutes. With no comment, the minutes were approved. She then asked for any changes to the March minutes. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Silberstein noted that their goal today was to go over the baseline report so that it’s almost ready to go out and to discuss how to launch it. She also noted that they need new members as several people are rotating off. It was pointed out that Silberstein should receive an email from the Secretary of the Faculty with names of faculty members who are interested in participating on the council.

Silberstein had asked members to review the benchmark report with the goal of finalizing it today. She noted there were a few changes based upon feedback from the last meeting and responses to council questions posed to Kate Quinn. Silberstein said the status of the report was that it was to be presented to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) meeting, and she hoped some council members would come with her to deliver it. She also noted that she has been invited to a working meeting with some people from the Provost’s council to discuss finding an administrative home for the baseline report and a report from the President’s Advisory Council on Women, where the issues would continue to be monitored and the reports used as templates for ongoing study. Silberstein explained that she was also asked whether there were any recommendations in the report, and asked members to pay special attention to the recommendations they make and whether there are other ones, because they can be endorsed. Another issue was what members wanted to do with the FCWA Survey results Silberstein noted that it was suggested that she place the survey results at the end of the report as an appendix, but pointed out that it is the same length as the report.

Council members systematically proofread the revised baseline report and reviewed the executive summary, key findings, and recommendations. Silberstein noted the great work that Kate Quinn has done in answering all of their queries. Members discussed whether they felt the report was ready to be released and decided to run it by someone else to get another impression. Silberstein asked members to think about the FCWA survey and what they hope to do with it by the end of the year. She also asked them to consider what the council will focus on next year. Silberstein noted that the gender data is new data and she will speak with Marjorie Olmstead about what findings to include. She pointed out the need to run regressions on the data and offered to find someone to do it.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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Present: Faculty: Iarocci, Silberstein
President’s Designee: Basu

Ex Officio Reps: Yorks, Barriga

Absent: Faculty: Baltan Brunet, Habell-Pallan, Heitkemper, Olmstead

Ex Officio Reps: Guillen, Carrigan, Yee

Regularly Invited Guests: Gandara, Quinn