

## **Faculty Life Committee Report for February 8, 2024, Faculty Meeting**

Submitted by Arthur Cunningham, Chair

February 1, 2024

The Faculty Life Committee (FLC) met as a full committee on December 12th. Our main task was selecting the recipient of the 2023-24 Social Justice Award. We look forward to announcing that award recipient at the February 8 faculty meeting. CFO Mike Berthelsen also briefed the committee about Minnesota's new sick and safe leave law that came into effect this January 1, 2024. Finally, Dana Scopatz, who is FLC's representative on the committee discussing possible changes to the academic calendar, briefed us on some of the proposed revised calendar models under discussion by that committee. Dana collected feedback from FLC members on those proposed models to take back to that committee.

### **Future Dates of Note**

- Monday, March 11th at noon - Professional Development Grant submission deadline (for projects starting no later than June 1 and finishing no later than December 31, 2024)
- Tuesday, April 9th at noon - Mellby Lecturer nomination deadline
- Wednesday, April 10th at noon - NEH Summer Stipend internal application deadline
- April 16, 7:30 pm - Social Justice Award Lecture & Reception - Sun and Gold Ballrooms

The Faculty Life Committee (FLC) meets most Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00 in TOH 300. Please contact the chair, Arthur Cunningham ([cunninga@stolaf.edu](mailto:cunninga@stolaf.edu)) or any other member of the committee with questions, comments or suggestions for the FLC. Comments, questions, or concerns may also be submitted to the FLC via the [Faculty Comment Form](#).

### **Current Membership**

Arthur Cunningham (Chair), *Humanities*

Adam Berliner, *Natural Sciences & Mathematics*

Tracey Engleman, *Fine Arts*

Kristina Thalhammer, *Social Sciences*

Joanne Quimby, *Interdisciplinary & General Studies*

Marc David, *At-large*

Eric Cole, *At-large*

Dana Scopatz, *At-large*

Erica Kanewischer, *At-large*

Sravya Kondrakunta, *At-large*

Jason Engbrecht, *Associate Provost (Ex-officio)*

Mike Berthelsen, *Vice President and CFO* (Ex-officio)

Marci Sortor, *Provost and Dean of the College* (Ex-officio)

Susan Rundell Singer, *President* (Ex-officio)