TO: Department of Sociology and Social Work Faculty

FROM: Amy Zlimen Ticho, Chairperson

RE: Department Meeting

DATE: 1/26/2021

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I am calling a Department Meeting for Wednesday January 27, 2021 from 2:00-3:00 PM in Zoom. *Any person outside of the Department of Sociology and Social Work who wishes to attend or listen in on this meeting should contact Amy Zlimen Ticho at* [*azlimen@uwsp.edu*](mailto:azlimen@uwsp.edu) *for the necessary Zoom information.*  Dorothy De Boer will be secretary of the day.

**AGENDA**: **Note: Boldface type indicates action or information items brought to the attention of the department chair.**

1. **Approval of the minutes of the 12/2/20 department meeting**
2. **Welcome back! Questions/concerns about the semester?**
3. **Chair’s Report**
   1. **Consideration of extending sociology major to branch campuses—refer to Sociology Program Committee**
   2. **University Awards—refer to Personnel Committee—due 2/19**
   3. **Classroom utilization—starting fall 2021, we will be scheduled as much as possible in the same rooms in SCI and CBB, possibly CCC. Some classrooms are being closed to improve classroom utilization rates for those that remain open.**
   4. **Critical Thinking (CT) as a new foundation-level designation in the GEP—consideration of SOC 230, SOC 240, SOC/SW 261, SOC/SW 262, and/or SOC/SW 263**
   5. **Consider development of a system/policy for how we offer online/virtual instruction—refer to SW Program and SOC Program Committees?**
4. **Committee Reports**
   1. **Personnel—Chunyu**
      * **SOC lecturer search and screen**
      * **Merit process—due 2/5**
      * **Adjunct review**
   2. Sociology Program Committee—Barry
   3. Social Work Program Committee—Zlimen Ticho
   4. Public Relations—Kipp
   5. Student Relations—Bowers
   6. Professional Development—De Boer
5. **Recruitment—Kipp (Recruitment Liaison)—update and admitted student day expectations**
6. **Reports from SBSS work groups**
   1. **Quantitative Literacy (SOC 351)—Chunyu**
   2. **Other reports?**
7. Reports from University Governance/Committees
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. **Announcements**
    1. **SBSS Panel Discussion February 2—David Chunyu to represent department**
    2. **Undergraduate Research Symposium is 5/17. Submissions due 4/23. Virtual again this year.**

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