

Faculty Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2012

SEM II D1105, 1:00-3:00pm

Faculty chair Andrew Reece opened the faculty meeting at 1:25.

Announcements

- Susan Preciso announced that there will be a UFE meeting this Friday in SEM II D1107.
- Sarah Pedersen announced that there is a Library/Media Services survey that has just gone out, which both faculty and their students are encouraged to complete.

Approval of Faculty Meeting Minutes -- May 9, 2012 Meeting Minutes were approved as written

Faculty Emeritus Nominations

- Zahid Shariff was nominated by Larry Mosqueda. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.
- Susan Aurand was nominated by Lucia Harrison. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.
- Rob Cole was nominated by Ken Tabbutt. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.
- Stephanie Coontz was nominated by Chuck Pailthorp. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.
- Rob Knapp was nominated by Cheryl King and Bob Leverich. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.
- Alan Parker was nominated by Kristina Ackley and Linda Moon Stumpff. The nomination was unanimously affirmed by the faculty.

David Rutledge, who is retiring but elected not to stand for Faculty Emeritus, was also acknowledged for his service to the College.

Faculty Positions Nominations/Vote. Elections for 2012-2013 Faculty Chair, 2012-2013 Agenda Committee members, and 2012-2013 Faculty Advisory Panel on the College Budget members was held. The results will be announced at the next Faculty Meeting.

Proposed Faculty Handbook Change.

Allen Olson facilitated the continuation of a discussion of a proposed change to Section 2.300 of the Faculty Handbook concerning Academic Deans' Work, Deans' Desk Assignments, and Deans' Groups brought forward by the Academic Deans. He walked through a slightly revised proposal based on the prior faculty meeting discussion. The faculty were asked to consider separately three different elements of section 2.300:

1. Replace the paragraph that begins "The DEANS are..." from section 2.200 of the Faculty Handbook with the following: "The deans are faculty members charged with academic administration (see section 2.300)." This element of the proposal passed as written.
2. Insert a revised section on Governance Groups (formerly *Deans' [or Governance] Groups* from section 2.303) into section 2.200, just before section 2.210. This element of the proposal passed as written.
3. Replace section 2.300 Academic Deans with updated language, primarily to reflect current practice. Lengthy discussion ensued, particularly related to a proposed amendment to section 2.302 Academic Deans: Selection Process, first paragraph, to strike "regular, continuing" as follows: "Candidates for academic dean will be solicited from within the ~~regular, continuing~~ faculty in the fall of the year preceding their term, and a decision on those candidates will be made at least six months prior to the beginning of the term." The amendment failed by a vote of 12 in favor, 22 opposed and 13 abstentions. A motion to table the third item that in its entirety was made but not voted on.

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