

FSAC Meeting Minutes:
May 19, 2011
Sue Jameson Room
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Present: Richard Senghas (Chair), Melinda Barnard (Vice-Provost), Sandra Newton, Chip McAuley, Viki Montera, Richard Whitkus (recorder), Paula Hammett, Emily Hurd (AS representative)
Absent: Andy Merrifield (CFA representative)

Convened: 1:03 p.m.
Agenda: Approved.
Minutes: May 5, 2011 minutes approved.

REPORTS

Chair (Senghas)

ACT meeting productive, items from meeting:

Proposal from Library Dean for a physical space for a faculty center.

Discussion on reorganization of Graduate Programs on campus, with memo from Graduate Studies Subcommittee (EPC). Current Associate Vice Provost for Academic Programs to act as interim 'Graduate Dean'. Will be up to new Provost to shape future status of position.

Announcement on distribution of indirect funds (list provided). List generated from post award. Was indicated this is a good beginning, but not all grants are reflected in this distribution. There is a need for work by FSSP in conjunction with A&F for continued development of how to distribute IDC.

With budget situation, a number of 12-month department chairs will be moving to 9-month positions.

J. Kornfeld is taking coordinator of ITDS into his portfolio as Director of Undergraduate Studies.

No further reports from AVP Barnard or subcommittees.

BUSINESS

1. Continuity of Professional Development and Grant/Contracts During Summer Administrative Transition.

Guests: Adrian Praetzellis (FSSP) and Heather Smith (PDS).

Draft of letter from FSSP to Administration in support of appointing an interim Director for Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, as current Director is leaving on June 3. Letter includes support for keeping ORSP in Academic Affairs, and to designate the future AVP of Faculty Affairs the University's Chief Research Officer. Committee fully supports draft and will forward with FSAC, FSSP, and PDS as signatories.

Also discussion of proposal from Library for space for Faculty Center. Discussion raised as who will be director, where funding will come from, how center will integrate with CTPD/CTL.

2. Follow-Up on Post-Tenure review.

Support for departments that wish to conduct these, but do not force on all departments.
If a more inclusive approach were to be followed, a simple review process (one page form) would be helpful. Further discussion ensued.

3. Input for End of Year Report.

None from Committee at this time, but Chair will accept input via email

4. Proposed 2011-2012 Business Items.

Keep an eye on progression of faculty development in the fall.
Issue raised on appointment of faculty to academically related programs, re manner of appointment, release time, etc.
Sabbatical leave policy.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

No items

Meeting adjourned 2:35 p.m.