

FSAC Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2010
Sue Jameson Room
1:00-3:00PM

Present: Richard Senghas (Chair), Melinda Barnard (Vice-Provost), Victor Garlin, Viki Montera (Recorder), Richard Whitkus, Chip McAuley, Jenny Tice

Absent: Paula Hammett, Janejira Sutanonpaiboon

Convened: 1:00

Agenda: Approved

Minutes: Approved for 4/27/2010

REPORTS

Chair Report (Senghas)

Issue of registration holds. ExComm delegates AFS to represent the faculty on the free speech issue. In addition, keep FSAC informed and part of the process.

Faculty governance reassigned time – to be discussed.

Creation of new faculty listserv being discussed for non-senate related issues.

On-line forum for raising issues on financial matters. Resolution going to Faculty Senate to establish the forum. Specifics for the proposal on Senate Agenda for today.

AVP (Barnard)

FERP Settlement - status and background to implementing the FERP policy. There is a formula question regarding workload and some back pay that is in question. Faculty who have FERP-ed will have to actively pursue this on an individual basis.

Passed out Data on Faculty Count.

Faculty Exit Interview data – will present at next meeting.

PDS (Sutanonpaiboon in absentia – report attached)

Other - Moodle – Faculty may still sign up for pilot and all faculty can access this over the summer.

AFS – (Montera)

An additional meeting of AFS is scheduled for next week to pick up on loose ends that committee was working on prior to the most recent issue on Free Speech. There will be a report on the status and work of these issues at the next FSAC meeting.

URTP (Barnard and Senghas for Hammett) Final stages for RTP process, recommendations going forward for president's approval and notification of candidates.

Business Items

1. Time/Place/Manner proposed policy - (Montera, guest Tryon Woods, Chair AFS)

AFS Chair and FSAC AFS Rep. – AFS has prepared and distributed a detailed response to the Campus Expression Committee's Draft document on Free Speech.

The AFS document has been presented to Campus Expression Committee and posted for review. No meeting has been scheduled to deal with this from the Campus Expression committee.

AFS Chair stressed that this discussion is a response to what IS rather than what is being proposed. What is in the proposed draft from Campus Expression committee are the existing practices and should be addressed.

Motion:

FSAC commends the thorough work by the AFS committee. In addition, we endorse the AFS document responding to the draft document from the Campus Expression Committee and FSAC request a formal response from the Campus Expression Committee to the document. The Chair of AFS and Chair of FSAC will submit a formal letter requesting a response to CE with copies to the Provost, President, and Vice-Provost.

Passed – unanimously

Discussion –

Garlin – raised issues regarding the legitimacy of the process and the Campus Expression Committee. Perhaps the Senate should submit this as a proposed policy.

Whitkus – appreciation of the work from the committee. Requested modifying language stating the entire campus as a free space zone. Suggested the committee 'tweak' that language in the document. Continue to be inclusive of all stakeholders.

McAuley – Advocates that we continue to pursue this direction. "The horse is out of the barn."

Garlin – Concern there has not been a response from Campus Expression, thus far.

2. Electronic/Online SETEs (Barnard)

Beginning discussion. Issues raised - response rate, instructor control, timing, require students to respond. Numerous issues raised and discussed. This is the beginning discussion of moving to on-line-SETE's. Some examples:

Senghas – Concern - comparing SETE results across departments. Will this enable this to happen? Want to raise this concern.

Whitkus – another point of view on using these as a metric. Can this be useful as comparative data to have as a faculty member to see how they are doing?

Montera – issue of comparison—must include the context. Important question is, “Who owns the data?” Who will have access to this? Paula and Melinda will work on this during the summer and then FSAC will be working on drafting a policy next year.

3. Departmental RTP Criteria (Re-)Submissions

- a) need to assign task group

Motion—FSAC appoints appoint Paula, Richard W. and Richard S. as a task force to approve departmental criteria being submitted or resubmitted. They also have the power to approve or disapprove the criteria and then submit this to Faculty Affairs.

Approved – unanimously

4. Proposal to add a senator to represent the emeritus faculty to Faculty Senate

Garlin – Presented the proposal. This proposal is re-affirming the presence and citizenship within the university of Emeriti Faculty and the importance of recognizing the continuous contribution of Emeriti faculty. ERFA chapter has proposed that the President of the local of the ERFA chapter or designee become a voting member of the Faculty Senate. Garlin is carrying this proposal forward to Structure and Functions. Structures and Functions voted unanimously to support.

Discussion of responsibilities and rights and contributions. Varied views expressed.

Motion:

Recommend recollection FSAC move this proposal forward to Ex Comm and come to the Senate.

Approved unanimously.

Motion:

No recommendation from FSAC regarding voting/non-voting membership.

Approved unanimously.

5. Resolution from Student Affairs: Mandatory Registration Holds for Academic Advising of Undergraduate Majors

First reading - More discussion at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45.