FSAC Minutes

November 29, 2007

1:00 - 3:00 Sue Jameson Room

Present: Maria Hess, Carol Blackshire-Belay, Paula Hammett, Jane Sutanonpaiboon, Sunil Tiwari, Beth Warner, Helmut Wautischer (recorder); guests Victor Garlin, William Poe.

Convened at 1:10 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Moving item 2 to chair of FSAC report. Approved.

Approval of Minutes: Approved with two corrections, (1) AFS report was part of business item 1, and (2) replace "MOU" with "Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)."

Reports:

Hess (chair of FSAC) reports that the Academic Freedom Policy was on the Executive Committee agenda, but needed to be postponed to their next meeting.

Blackshire-Belay (faculty affairs) reports that administrative work for the tenure-track searches are demanding for the current staffing situation. Reception of applications will be moved back to the departments to allow for timely review at the department level.

Wautischer (academic freedom subcommittee) reports that the SSU Statement on Collegiality was approved by AFS on April 25, 2007 and has been on the May 10th FSA agenda, but no minutes for that meeting are on file. Hess confirms that the Statement was approved by FSAC on May 10, 2007 and will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

Professional development subcommittee – no report, since there is currently no liaison.

Business Item:

Item 1, Further updates to the policy were discussed. It was also confirmed that FSAC supports a recommendation for a 2 year appointment. There is a disconnect between the current size of the URTP Committee and the significant increase of applications since the original formation of URTP. A suggestion to increase the size from five to seven members was discussed, and an agreement was reached to set in motion a formal change to the size of the URTP Committee.

Adjourned 2:55 p.m.