

Attending: Carlos Ayala (chair), Carol Blackshire-Belay, Paula Hammett (recorder), Sunil Tiwari, Beth Warner, Helmut Wautischer,

Absent: Maria Hess, Janejira Sutanonpaiboon, Kaitlyn Penson

Guests: Victor Garlin, Bill Poe

Convened: 1:05

Agenda: approved

Minutes approved, as amended:

Reports: 3rd paragraph, change to “FSAC” agenda.

Reports: 2nd paragraph, change to “Moving the reception of applications back to the departments is under discussion.”

Reports:

1. **Chair of FSAC** : no report.

2. **Vice Provost Faculty Affairs:**

- Josh Schultz from Office of Research & Sponsored Programs is leaving and will be greatly missed. The position will be replaced as soon as possible. In the meantime someone covering those duties in a temporary capacity will be in place by January.
- Faculty searches: 33 total; 8-10 offers should be sent out by next week.
- New Dean of Extended Education, Mark Merickle, has been hired and will be starting in January.
- Faculty Hearing Panel is electing its Chair, with voting this week.
- Kathy Anderson, Employee Diversity and University Compliance, is also leaving. Joyce Suzuki will be covering those duties until a reorganization in HR allows them to fill the position.

3. **Academic Freedom Policy:** Wautischer reported that it was referred back from Exec Committee for clarification of minor issues. It was unclear which documents it was replacing. Confusion was around the relationship of the Academic Freedom Policy, the Statement on Collegiality, the AFS charge, and the complaint procedures. Some of these documents have already been approved by the Senate, while others may still be in process. Ayala clarified that the Statement on Collegiality was not reviewed or approved by Ex Comm last year, so it should be under current review by them. There are several versions of the AFS committee charge; the most recent should be from Spring 2007, so that will need to be resolved by Ex Comm. Senate leadership is currently looking for ways to track issues and documents as they flow through committees.

4. **Professional Development Subcommittee** – no liaison, therefore no report.

Business:

1. **RTP Policy:** review of submitted comments continued. Document is ready for a final draft, to be circulated to FSAC via email for final review before going to Ex Comm for January 31, 2008 (3pm Sue Jameson Room). FSAC members are encouraged to attend this meeting (and the Senate meeting to which this is referred) in order to speak to issues that may arise.

Adjourned: 2:45pm; next meeting February 7, 2007, 1-3pm, Sue Jameson Room.

12/13/07 pch