

FSAC Meeting Minutes:
September 3, 2010
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), Alex Boyar (AS representative)

Absent: Paula Hammett, Victor Garlin (CFA representative)

Convened: 1:05 p.m.

Agenda: Business items added: 4) Select PDS representative, 5) Select FSSP representative, 6) Visit from John Wingard (President of Academic Senate), 7) Department votes on classroom evaluation. Additional items accepted, agenda approved.

Minutes: None.

BUSINESS

1. (Re)Introduction.

New members from Business (Sandra Newton) and Associated Students (Alex Boyar).

6. Visit from President of Academic Senate (John Wingard), TC 1:15.

- 1) Explained views of positive working interactions between senate committees such as FSAC and the Senate.

Whole committee needs to be responsible for charge of the committee. When items brought to Senate, items become property of Senate, so provide as much of the committee discussion as possible in summary to help Senate in their deliberations. Please provide reports on items being considered when feedback needed from Senate. Finally, faculty consultation viewed differently by various individuals. Committee's may be consulted, but the Senate makes decision for faculty.

- 2) Asked for any questions from FSAC.

Question about consultation raised. When AVP brings items to FSAC for consultation, does everything have to go to Senate? Answer: No, since Senate would be inundated. Committees need to judge whether item goes to full Senate or not.

2. Select an AFS liaison from FSAC.

Begin with visit from Academic Freedom Subcommittee Chair – Brantley Bryant

Seeking items for consideration from FSAC, especially on Time/Place/Manner (TPM) policy.

FSAC items provided: greater awareness of academic freedom, and catalog copy update on attendance policy.

Members of FSAC commended AFS on work to date on TPM policy and to continue work with updates to FSAC. FSAC very supportive of policy as developed to date with

input from AFS and encourages AFS to keep working with other members of campus on development of final TPM policy.

FSAS member indicated we will continue to work on attendance policy. So if AFS can provide questions on policy FSAC can bring these to Senate for awareness and feedback. Concern was raised about technology and its possible effect on teaching. So does it feed into AFS? Does faculty need to be made aware of this?

Committee is cautioned to hold off on technology issue to give new Provost time to work through as academic technology and academic freedom are complex issues.

FSAC elects AFS liaison. S. Newton self-nominates, MSP.

REPORTS

Chair Report (Senghas)

Proposals to be brought to Senate today in support of new positions, Director of Diversity(?) and Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Senate will also be presented Emeritus faculty status list.

AVP (Barnard)

Emeritus status for lecturers will be coming to FSAC to determine eligibility.

The Evaluation of Temporary Faculty policy was posted incorrectly on SSU policy page and L. Holmstrom (Senate Analyst) working on correcting posting. Notice of new policy will soon be sent to departments for current cycle.

Will be meeting with P. Hammett and A. Merrifield (CFA) and department RTP Chairs to explain WPAF, role of ACs, and importance of meeting RTP deadlines.

Continuing to work on waitlist issue (PeopleSoft implementation).

Electronic SETE – IT has indicated implementation of electronic SETE is an Academic Affairs issue. May be able to implement with Moodle but issues of confidentiality and production of reports still needs to be dealt with.

URTP

No report due to absence of representative, information shared with committee from AVP Barnard.

Eligibility list and time line went to departments on time.

FSAC informed that some faculty are volunteer teaching on their sabbatical/DIP.

Concern raised that faculty can request personal leave from more than one year, but RTP policy it that tenure clock is only supposed to be stopped for one year.

FSSP

No report due to no representative. AVP Barnard provides information.

FSSP will be looking at intellectual property policy. Draft developed independently by Barnard and Julia Arno (ORSP Sr. Director) and brought to FSSP for early faculty input.

PDS

No report due to no representative. AVP Barnard provides information.

PDS will be dealing with new Provost on ideas for faculty development funds.

BUSINESS (cont.)

4. Select a PDS liaison from FSAC.

FSAC elects PDS liaison. C. McAuley self-nominates, MSP.

5. Select an FSSP liaison from FSAC.

FSAC elects FSSP liaison. R. Whitkus self-nominates, MSP.

7. Department votes on classroom evaluations.

For purposes of evaluation (RPT, Lecturer) are all classes evaluated (SETE) or only 2? Current policy allows departments to evaluate all classes, but lecturers must be allowed to vote on matter in department. If passed in the department, all classes are evaluated (SETE) and then faculty/lecturer will be able to choose which to use in WPAF. AVP Barnard asks FSAC for consultation on this matter.

3. Establishing FSAC goals and agenda items for this year.

Continue work on Time/Place/Manner policy

SETEs – Department policy on votes for all or two courses for evaluation.

Emeritus status for lecturers

Intellectual property policy

Faculty advising

On line courses and faculty workload

Monitoring Moodle with respect to ATI and faculty training.

GOOD FOR THE ORDER

Meeting adjourned 2:45 p.m.