

FSAC Minutes
March 11, 2003
1:00 to 3:00 P.M.

Present:

Elizabeth Stanny, Judith Hunt, Bill Houghton, Helmut Wautischer, John Wingard, Carlos Ayala, Geoffrey Skinner

Meeting began at 1:10 P.M.

Agenda Approved:

The agenda was amended by adding an item about Emeritus titles and approved

Committee Leadership:

JW nominated for Chair and elected unanimously.

Review of Minutes:

Minutes were approved with the following amendments:

- Business Item # 1 not actually resolved; Committee will take up further discussion.
- Minor correction noted by HW (Geoffrey, *not* Jeffrey).
- Minor revision of GE statement (Business Item # 3) suggested by HW; ES will run revision by Paul Draper.

Business Items:

1A. Lobbying Policy

T. Apolloni and C. Tasker presented a draft of the official policy stating that no federal money may be used to obtain additional federal money. Policy is needed because most federal grants require SSU to certify that it has such a policy. This policy will replace interim policy in place since May 2001 (which may have replaced earlier policies); language does not vary from earlier and no additional language added beyond federal requirements.

Committee discussed what lobbying entails. C. Tasker noted that no other limitations to lobbying exist to individuals under their 1st Amendment rights. State employees are forbidden from lobbying for partisan politics with state resources, although lobbying on issues is okay and no prohibitions exist against seeking government funding.

Policy was approved and sent to the Executive Committee.

1B. Misconduct in Research Policy

C. Tasker passed out a corrected draft and T. Apolloni presented the policy that provides the University with policies and procedures for dealing with misconduct as defined in

Section II. He noted that US Dept. of Health & Human Services and NSF both require this policy. He further noted that he is responsible for reporting any complaints. The Committee discussed the process of complaints and questioned the definition of timeliness and apparent variations in timeline specificity, particularly in VI.A. It was suggested that a specific length of time be included. The Committee also questioned why IV specified “15 working days” when times elsewhere were calendar days. Is this required language? How long does T. Apolloni have to prepare the written allegation? T. Apolloni suggested specifying 15 days.

The Committee discussed why policy is needed. As noted above, federal statutes require both policy and many of the times for processes. HW asked about requirements for providing an attorney to the accused; JH stated that the University *may* provide counsel, but is not required to. CA asked who provides sanctions; JH noted that sanctions are governed by the collective bargaining contracts with various due processes built in.

C. Tasker noted that the attached timeline is not part of the policy and should be removed.

T. Apolloni and C. Tasker will return on 3/25 with a revised policy addressing the Committee’s concerns.

2. Emeritus Titles

ES presented proposal to revise list of faculty emeritus to retroactively comply with current logic of uniform titles. Committee unanimously approved proposal.

3. PD Membership

Discussion tabled until later.

4. Course Outline Policy

Campus Climate members will present proposed diversity statement for GE Course Outline Policy on 3/25

Reports

1. BH and JH presented to the Committee information from the spring *** meeting about the status of temporary faculty and noted that due to the arbitration decision in effect since January (initiated in 2000), temporary faculty may be “temporary temporary” or “non-temporary-temporary.” Temporary temporary faculty do not have the right to annual appointment that must be offered to a rehired non-temporary.

2. JH reported on the collective bargaining contract and noted that the contract does not allow equitable spreading of work; when number of hours are reduced, numbers must meet entitlements for particular employees.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 P.M.