

FSAC Minutes  
December 15, 2011  
Sue Jameson Room  
1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m.

Attending: Richard Senghas (Chair), Sandra Newton, Chip McAuley, Paula Hammett, Richard Whitkus (recorder), Viki Montera, Melinda Barnard, Emily Hurd (AS)

Absent: Andy Merrifield (CFA)

Convened: 1:02 pm

Agenda: Added Business Item - Resolution on University Response to Campus Protest, rennumbers business items, moved SETE's up before Excellence in Teaching Award.  
Approved

Minutes: Approved

## **REPORTS**

### **AVP (Barnard)**

- List sent to Deans on outstanding book orders. Good compliance to date.
- Letters for DIP and Sabbaticals sent out.
  - Sabbaticals: 12 full-time, 1 semester; 2 ½ time salary, full year.
  - DIPS: 2, both represent denied sabbaticals; 1 DIP denied.
- RSCAP minigrant and Goldstein Award letters ready to be sent out in following week.
- Feedback being received on dissatisfaction on behavior of faculty and students, may need to come back to FSAC in spring.
- Registration process going well. Students appear to be conscientious in scheduling within the unit cap. AS Rep indicates some complaints received on obtaining GE courses.

## **BUSINESS**

### **1. Affordable Learning Initiative (ALI) guest, Dean Barbara Butler (Library)**

- Passed out and reviewed draft outline for affordable learning solutions, and associated webpage.
  - Q&A with FSAC
  - What roll will faculty governance play and how should we facilitate?
    - Advocacy
    - FSAC and AS can help frame conversation to make effort successful. Also seen as a faculty development opportunity.
  - Timeline?
    - January 12, 2012 is kick-off at faculty retreat. Followed by ~6 weeks of conversation and then launch of Affordable Learning Projects to develop new approaches.
  - Will Dean Butler be attending Faculty Retreat?
    - Yes.
- Issues raised: use of electronic resources in class may impact instruction.

### **3. Faculty Emeritus Case**

- Retired from a separate CSU.
- Taught at SSU for 10 years.
- Resigned from position at SSU (cannot retire twice).
- Discussion on whether to interpret policy broadly to provide emeritus status in this case.
- Decision to grant emeritus status at SSU in light of 10 years of meritorious service.  
Barnard will check with lawyer to see if there is any problem.

#### 4. SETEs

##### Montera report

- 3 areas to explore
- What was done in the past, what are contract issues, look into on-line approaches.
- Conduct literature review of student evaluations.
- Develop survey for staff and students on SETE's use.
- Need to begin working on each area with three individuals on each.
- Send out alert on a service opportunity.
- FSAC can help get out the word on initiative.
- Ask students (AS) if they would like to be involved in the subgroups.

#### 5. Excellence in Teaching

- Need to change timeline because of change in academic calendar.
- Next year time line will be earlier.
- This year will need to expedite process. Call to go out in January.

#### **REPORTS (cont.)**

##### **AFS (Newton)**

- Asking for Education and Library reps. for spring semester.
- Discussion of disruptive student behavior policy.

##### **FSSP (Whitkus)**

- ORSP Director search running well to date.

##### **PDS (McAuley/Montera)**

- Discussion on staffing of Faculty Center – finding a Director and funding for position.
- E-portfolios being discussed as way of accessing undergraduate learning experience.

#### **BUSINESS (cont.)**

##### 2. University Response to Protests

Discussion ensued, but FSAC does not see any issue re academic freedom.

Adjourned: 2:56 pm