

FSAC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2003

PRESENT: E. Stanny (Chair.); S. Cabaniss; C. Freund; V. Lea; W. Poe; J. Hunt; S. Hayes

MINUTES: The minutes of 1/27/03 and 3/13/03 were approved.

BUSINESS: Constitutional amendment on voting for URTP members (S. Hayes): The proposed changes from the URTP are in *italic* below:

Only Members of the Faculty as defined in Article II, Section 1.1 and 1.2 of the Constitution *who are tenured or probationary* may vote *in elections for* hiring and retention, tenure, and promotion committees.

The motivation for this change is to more accurately reflect the original intention of the constitution to provide equal protection to the faculty. At this time many in the electorate can vote for a committee having nothing to do with their lives. The amendment would restrict the electorate to those directly affected by the committees. If an RTP committee is used for other purposes, there should be a separate department vote. This was the first reading for this proposal.

REPORTS:

1. **Chair of FSAC** (E. Stanny)—E. Stanny will not be at the April 17 FSAC meeting. B. Poe will be acting chair.
2. **Associate Vice President of Faculty Affairs** (J. Hunt)—
 - The Dean's revised class schedules are due by March 28. Having no printed schedule will save two weeks in the scheduling process.
 - The searches are proceeding with 15 signed acceptances, 2 letters out, and 16 to go. There may be one or two unsuccessful searches.

BUSINESS:

1. **Grade appeals policy** (attached to the agenda)—E. Stanny reported that the Student Affairs Committee had made some revisions to FSAC's proposed modifications to the grade appeals policy. The SAC revisions were accepted with one change. The sentence ending with

"did not follow proper procedures and that those procedures could have materially affected the decision."

should read instead

"did not follow proper procedures and that *that failure* could have materially affected the decision."

2. **Recognizing recipients of excellence in teaching awards at convocation:** E. Stanny reported that the proposal to give recipients free parking was deemed too expensive by L. Holmstrom and N. Byrne. They did agree with the suggestion for placing photos of recipients on a wall in the library, perhaps with a plaque. S. Heft is to report back on the feasibility of this. New suggestions included: give the recipients a copy of the plaque, give them a medal to wear with their academic robes at commencement, have them form a “guard of honor” to accompany the new recipient at commencement, and prepare a quality pamphlet with photos and descriptions of their work. There was no support for having them participate in the convocation or the emeritus faculty dinner.
3. **WASC Diversity Report** (attached to the agenda): E. Stanny stated that this report had been to APC, EPC, and SAC. B. Coleman-Senghor recommended that FSAC also look it over. V. Lea noted that there were many activities missing. She is going to make a draft listing things that are missing.
4. **Lecturers in GE and EMT:** C. Freund reported on discussions in the EMT Steering Committee to try and involve more tenured faculty in the EMT program. One suggestion is to have SSPs teach the seminar in conjunction with an academic class taught by a tenured faculty member.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by S. Cabaniss