University Committee on Faculty Affairs

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 18, 2011


Ex Officio: Terry Curry, David Byelich.

Others: John Revitte, Donna Zischke.

Call to Order: Professor Moriarty called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Dr. Emmett made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Dr. Jayaraman. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Dr. Aben made a motion to approve the December 7, 2010 Minutes seconded by Dr. Rodammer. There was a one-word correction in the Personnel Policy Subcommittee report changing “Metric” to “Mentoring.” The Minutes were approved as amended.

New Business: The Proposal to Amend the Code of Teaching Responsibility and Integrity of Scholarship and Grades – Proctoring will be forwarded to the Personnel Policy Subcommittee.

Old Business: Dr. Anderson inquired if the status of the College of Human Medicine questions and the college responses had changed. Professor Curry responded that the Provost is still working on a comprehensive report. Professor Moriarty also addressed the Reorganization of the Basic Life Sciences – the Provost indicated that the information for this topic has greatly changed and is also still being worked on.

Other Questions: No other questions

Announcements:
1. Deborah Moriarty
   - After a brief discussion regarding the work being done on the Basic Life Sciences Reorganization, it was determined that it might be a good idea to have members of the various committees be part of the “working group.” She will bring that up at the next meeting.
   - The ECAC At-Large Members and the Faculty Liaison Group met with the President and Provost; they discussed the new BOT Trustees and they hope to meet with the trustees soon. They also talked about the new governor.
   - There was a Faculty Health Care meeting that Professor Moriarty was unavailable to attend, so David Byelich gave a brief overview: discussion of a number of initiatives that fit under the umbrella of the MSU Clinic, discussion on Centers of Excellence, the pharmacy program with discounts reviewed plus other points of interest.
   - Professor Moriarty welcomed Dr. Fred Rodammer, College of Business, and Dr.
Zachary Neal, Social Science.

2. Terry Curry
- Reported that the change of pay has gone quite well – only one complaint at this time.
- There are two ongoing searches presently: Education and Agriculture
- There are also three to five dean reviews going on during the year.

3. John Revitte –
- He distributed copies of the End of FALL SEMESTER 2010 Report gave a brief overview of the report. He asked committee members to call him if they had questions after reviewing the report.

4. David Byelich – David reported that the Governor’s State of the State may be Tuesday or Wednesday this week, and may provide more information about his goals.

Subcommittee Reports:

Budget: Dr. Emmett reported that there will be Human Resource staff to share more information on retirement plans. They will also discuss endorsing for possible use by MSU regarding the IRS approval of reimbursement for riding a bicycle or taking public transportation to work.

Personnel Policy: Dr. Jayaraman reported that the subcommittee started discussing the appointment category of research faculty. They will also be looking at the “duties” plus looking at the newest topic added to their queue regarding possibly amending the code of the teaching responsibility.

Dr. Jayaraman made a motion to adjourn to subcommittees seconded by Dr. Aben. The motion carried.

Adjournment: UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary