2014-15 University Committee on Faculty Affairs

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 20, 2015


Ex Officio: Terry Curry.

Others: William Donohue, Kara Yermak.

Chairperson Floyd called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

A motion was made by Professor Kortemeyer, supported by Professor Fulton, to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Professor Ezzo, supported by Professor Bell, to approve the January 13, 2015 meeting Minutes. The motion carried.

Announcements

A. Phylis A. Floyd – Phylis announced that John Bell had volunteered to take on the Personnel Policy Subcommittee chairman position for the spring semester.

B. Terry Curry – Terry gave a brief overview of the University Distinguished Professor and William J. Beal Outstanding Faculty Award.

   a. Professor Kortemeyer made a motion recommending that faculty already holding the University Distinguished Professor title/award will not be eligible to receive the Beal Outstanding Faculty Award. Professor Aronoff seconded the motion.

   b. Professor Fulton made a motion amending the motion adding to the beginning of the motion: In recognition of the fact that the University Distinguished Professor is the ultimate in academic achievement, a person already holding the University Distinguished Professor title/award will not be eligible to receive the Beal Outstanding Faculty Award. The amended motion carried.

   c. Professor Kortemeyer made a motion to amend the amendment stating that all faculty must have served at MSU for at least five years in order to be considered for the University Distinguished Professor title, not just named professors and endowed chairs. Professor Bell seconded the motion to amend the amendment. The motion carried.
Announcements, continued
   C. William Donohue – Bill reported that he currently has two grievances in process. He also requested UCFA members to serve as members of Counsel and/or Presiding Officers.
   D. David Byelich – No report was given.

New Business – No New Business was noted.

Old Business -- No Old Business was noted.

Subcommittee Reports – No Subcommittee Reports were made.

Adjournment (to Subcommittees) Professor Kortemeyer made a motion, supported by Professor Phillips, to adjourn to Subcommittee. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary