University Committee on Faculty Affairs

MINUTES

Tuesday, September 14, 2004


Ex Officio: Robert Banks.

Others:

Call to Order: Chairperson Mary Bresnahan called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: The boilerplate agenda to be used for the 2004-05 meetings was approved at the August 31, 2004 meeting.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Dr. Mullaney to approve the Minutes of September 7, 2004. Dr. Emmett seconded. The Minutes were approved as presented.

Announcements:

- Dr. Banks reported that David Byelich had to attend another meeting, and said he would e-mail UCFA members a statement regarding the budget situation as it has been developing.
- Dr. Banks distributed copies of correspondence from spring 2004 between the University Committee on Faculty Tenure and the UCFA Personnel Policy Subcommittee regarding the declining number of tenure system faculty positions and concurrent increase in the number of fixed-term faculty positions at MSU.

Subcommittee Reports:

- Budget: Shawnee Vickery, Chair. Dr. Vickery reported that Mr. Byelich had updated them on the university budget situation. This week, the subcommittee will set the subcommittee discussion agenda for 2004-05.
- Personnel Policy: Mary Bresnahan, Chair. Dr. Bresnahan stated that Dr. Banks had distributed copies of Conflict of Interest (COI) policy for faculty and administration. One question was whether there was an institutional COI document. The discussion continued regarding the MSU Copyright Ownership document.

Old Business: None was noted.

New Business: None was noted.

Adjournment: UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary