University Committee on Faculty Affairs

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 15, 2005


Ex Officio: Robert Banks.

Others: John Revitte, Donna Zischke.

Call to Order: Chairperson Susan Melnick called the meeting to order at 1:00 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. Powell to approve the Minutes of March 1, 2005, and Dr. Stricklen seconded. The Minutes were approved as presented.

Announcements: There were no announcements.

Subcommittee Reports:

Budget: Shawnee Vickery, Chair. Dr. Vickery reported that discussions on the faculty salary recommendations for 2005-06 are still a “work in progress.”

Personnel Policy: Mary Bresnahan, Chair. Dr. Bresnahan reported on the annual review of the Faculty Grievance Official John Revitte. Dr. Mullaney was in charge of conducting the FGO review, and Dr. Bresnahan stated that she appreciated his taking care of this annual project (before traveling to Ireland). Dr. Powell made a motion to accept the report, and Dr. Sticklen supported the motion. The motion was passed. A copy of the report with a cover memo from UCFA will be sent to Acting Provost Hudzik.

Old Business: Dr. Bresnahan distributed copies of an overview paper regarding “Executive Summary of Concerns about the Fixed Term Faculty Issue.” After discussing at some length, it was decided that Professor Michael Moch would be invited to attend UCFA to discuss this issue on all fronts, on March 22 if he were available to do so, and Faculty Voice will attend UCFA on March 29 and make an interim report. Unless there is an objection, the discussion will be postponed until the April 12 UCFA meeting. The web address for this is: http://www.msu.edu/unit/acadgov/agbylaws.pdf

For Bylaw 1.1.2.1 and 1.1.2.2, go to page 5; for 4.2.1.10, go to page 21. (Please contact me if you have any problem locating these references.)

New Business: Dr. Bresnahan distributed copies of a memo from Dr. Jon Sticklen, chair of the Executive Committee of Academic Council (ECAC) regarding the Transfer of FCE to the College of Social Science. Due to the restricted meeting schedule for today’s meeting, this memo will be addressed at the next UCFA meeting on March 22.
Dr. Brody made a motion to adjourn.

**Adjournment:** UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary