Members Present: Mei-Wei Chang, William Davidson, John Dirkx, Ross Emmett, Michael Harrison, Thomas Mullaney, John W. Powell, Nicholas Revelos, John Sherry, and Sheila Teahan.

Ex Officio: Robert Banks, David Byelich.

Others: Donna Zischke.

Call to Order: Chairperson Ross Emmett called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: The boilerplate agenda used for the 2005-06 meetings was approved at the August 30, 2005 meeting.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Dr. Teahan to approve the Minutes of September 6, 2005. Dr. Powell seconded. Dr. Banks noted a misspelling on the second page. Dr. Emmett stated that in the Announcements section, the five task forces listed for Faculty Voice were incorrectly named. (The following corrections are in bold and italicized.)

Dr. Emmett updated the Committee on the process of the Faculty Voice discussion at Faculty Council. On Tuesday, September 13, the Faculty Council will meet and discuss the creation of the following five task forces recommended by Faculty Voice (This information is reported on the Academic Governance web site: www.msu.edu/unit/acadgov/ under the Current Issues listing on the front page):

I. Proposal for an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee to Study and Make Recommendations on the Structure of Academic Governance;

II. Proposal for an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee to Study and Make Recommendations Concerning Regular Faculty Reviews of Administrators.

III. Proposal for an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee to Study and Make Recommendations Concerning Regular Program Reviews.

IV. Proposal for an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee to Study and Make Recommendations Concerning Communication and Transparency of Governance.

V. Proposal for an Ad Hoc Faculty Committee to Study and Make Recommendations Concerning Fixed-term Faculty.

Approval of Minutes, continued

Dr. Banks’ spelling correction was on page 2 under Subcommittee Reports, Personnel Policy:

Dr. Ian Gray will be giving an opinion on the proposed Faculty
Conflicts of Interest officer position.
The September 6 Minutes were approved as corrected.

Announcements:
- Provost Wilcox will meet with UCFA during a box lunch on Tuesday, September 27. The lunch will be 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in room 443A Administration Building and the regular UCFA meeting will be directly after lunch.
- Dr. Emmett reported that the Faculty Council would be meeting after UCFA, and he will be reflecting UCFA’s response to the issue of Fixed-Term Faculty member voting on the various task forces. This issue will go forward to Academic Council next week, September 20.

Subcommittee Reports:
- Budget: John Powell, Chair. Dr. Powell reported that Dr. Esquith attended their subcommittee meeting last week discussed the proposed residential college information. The subcommittee will review and formalize their proposed agenda for the remainder of the fall semester.
- Personnel Policy: Sheila Teahan, Chair. Dr. Teahan reported that the Outside Work for Pay is a work in progress, and the subcommittee continues its review and discussion.

Old Business: No old business was noted.

New Business:
- Dr. Esquith attended the full UCFA today to discuss the proposed new residential college. UCFA was asked for commentary by the Executive Committee of Academic Council in preparation for the Academic Council meeting taking place next week, September 20. Dr. Emmett will be preparing a summary of the UCFA discussion in preparation for that meeting. Dr. Esquith addressed all aspects of the new residential college. There were thoughtful questions and comments by the committee members.

Dr. Revelos made a motion to adjourn and Dr. Powell supported it. Motion passed.

Adjournment: UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary