University Committee on Faculty Affairs

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 10, 2006

Members Present: Jonathan Bohlmann, Howard Brody, Mei-Wei Chang, William Davidson, John Dirkx, Ross Emmett, Catherine Ernst, Michael Harrison, Thomas Mullaney, John W. Powell, and Sheila Teahan.

Ex Officio: Robert Banks, David Byelich.

Others: John Revitte, Donna Zischke.

Call to Order: Chairperson Ross Emmett called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

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

Dr. Emmett introduced Dr. Jonathan Bohlmann, the newest member of UCFA representing the Board College of Business, and, in turn, asked the UCFA members to introduce themselves to Dr. Bohlman.

Approval of Minutes: Dr. Teahan made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 6, 2006 meeting. Dr. Brody supported. The Minutes were approved as presented.

Announcements:
- Dr. Emmett reported that the Final Report of the Working Group for the Improvement of Undergraduate Education was going to be discussed in the Executive Committee of Academic Council (ECAC) later this afternoon and moving on to Academic Council later.
- The Provost has asked for volunteers for five task forces connected to the President’s Boldness by Design. Those initiatives are: 1) Enhance the student experience, 2) Enrich community, economic, and family life, 3) Expand international reach, 4) Increase research opportunities, and 5) Strengthen stewardship. These task forces will not have a comprehensive mandate but to have a mandate which will generate a series of recommendations for each of the five areas.

Subcommittee Reports:

Budget: John Powell, Chair. Dr. Powell reported that the subcommittee completed their fall semester goals of information gathering and preparation for the spring semester. This semester they will help with the budget planning and make their salary recommendations and health care estimates.

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Personnel Policy: Sheila Teahan, Chair. Dr. Teahan reported that the subcommittee feels the Faculty Conflict of Interest policy may be ready for review by the faculty. Dr. Brody gave a comprehensive review of the COI policy history and the result of the subcommittee’s intensive review and their recommendations. Dr. Brody made a motion the UCFA endorse the Faculty Conflict of Interest policy and ask that the Secretary for Academic Governance office distribute the document to the faculty for their review and comment. Dr. Powell
supported the motion. Dr. Teahan will draft a cover memo to the faculty, with a February 10\textsuperscript{th} deadline for faculty responses to her, and this will accompany the policy and the appendix documents. The motion carried.

**Old Business:** No old business was noted.

**New Business:** No new business was noted.

Dr. Powell made a motion to adjourn and Dr. Harrison supported. The motion passed.

**Adjournment:** UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary