Members Present: Mei-Wei Chang, William Davidson, Jason Merrill, Edward Morash, Deborah Moriarty, Wei Peng, John Powell, Patricia Schenck, and David Solomon.

Ex Officio: David Byelich.

Others: John Revitte.

Dr. Powell couldn’t convene the meeting as there wasn’t a quorum. David Byelich spoke informally about the student loans until enough members arrived for the quorum.

Call to Order: Chairperson John Powell called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: The boilerplate agenda used for the 2007-08 meetings was approved at the August 28, 2007 meeting. Seeing no additions or corrections and without objection, the agenda for today remains as distributed.

Approval of Minutes: Dr. Powell stated that seeing no corrections, comments, concerns, or alterations, and without objection, the April 1, 2008 Minutes stand approved as distributed.

Announcements:
✓ Dr. Powell gave a brief report on the Executive Committee of Academic Council meeting April 1. The Provost announced the consideration of the proposal to alter the semester 2009 starting dates will soon be moving through the governance system. The proposed change would affect the number of class meetings, and other important points to be considered.
✓ UCFA will have lunch next Tuesday, April 15, at 12:30 pm in the Corniche Room at Kellogg Center.
✓ AAUP invited Dr. Powell to attend their meeting Wednesday evening and speak about the health care issues.

Subcommittee Reports:
Budget: John Dirkx, Chairperson  The subcommittee did not meet.
Personnel Policy: Jason Merrill, Chairperson; David Solomon, Assistant Chair
Dr. Merrill reported that he had distributed the e-mail that Dr. Powell had given him to have the subcommittee consider possible changes to the university policy on religious observance and that will be discussed today. They also discussed the FGO survey and they will draft a letter and forward it to Dr. Powell.

Old Business: There was a brief discussion on the Motion to Faculty Council on 8 Apr 2008 regarding Point 7.a. University Committee on Faculty Policy and Tenure (UCFPT) and Point 7.c. University Committee on the Budget (UCB). Dr. Powell’s position will be that the committees continue as they are presently.
**New Business:** There was a brief discussion on the 2008-09 UCFA representatives. The new incoming representatives will be invited to attend the April 22nd meeting. If anyone is currently interested in running for UCFA chair or subcommittee chair, please contact Dr. Powell.

**Other Questions:**

Seeing no objection, UCFA adjourned to subcommittees.

**Adjournment:** UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elva Boyles
Recording Secretary