Faculty Senate Steering Committee  
March 19, 2013  
Meeting Minutes

Present: Joan Shapiro (Pres), Mark Rahdert (Vice Pres.), Paul LaFollette (Past-Pres.), Kenneth Boberick (DENT), Cheri Carter (SSW), Kurosh Darvish (Engr), Deborah Howe (SED), Forrest Huffman (FSBM), Michael Jackson (STHM), Chip Jungreis (TUSM), Stephanie Knopp (Tyl), Jim Korsh (CST), Steve Newman (Fac. Herald), Michael Sachs (CHP), Catherine Schifter (Educ), Jeffrey Solow (BCMD), David Sonenshein (Law), Howard Spodek (CLA), Karen M. Turner (SMC), Cheryl Mack (Coord.)

Absent: Tricia Jones (Secy.), Michael Jacobs (Pharm), Doug Wager (TFMA)

1. Call to Order:
President Joan Shapiro called the meeting to order at 1:01PM. Note that Tricia Jones was unable to attend today, and there is no one more than yours truly who is sorry about that.

2. Approval of Minutes:
The March 5, 2013 FSSC Meeting Minutes were approved after minor revisions.

3. Vice President Report: Mark Rahdert
- Committee vacancies remain. Some committees will be filled via election but those without adequate numbers of candidates may require FSSC appointments. Encourage your colleagues to run! (Run for election, that is, not to run away.)
- A replacement on the EPPC for the remainder of this term for Paul LaFollette is needed. Volunteers are being sought.
- Library Committee Composition – remains unsettled long term due to the change in status of the librarians to faculty members. This topic will require additional consideration at a future meeting.
- It was moved, seconded and unanimously supported to appoint Anna Peak (CLA) to the Student Awards Selection Committee
- It was moved, seconded and unanimously supported to appoint Eugene Hsue (Library) to the Senate Library Committee.

4. President’s Report: Joan Shapiro
- Next Representative Senate Meeting Friday, March 22, 2013, Kiva Auditorium at 1:45PM.
  o The agenda is on the listserv.
  o Perhaps more important, or at least more influential, is the fact that the tip-off between Temple and NC State is at 1:40PM. The request from the FSSC is to have the AV team use the closed circuit technology in KIVA to project the game rather than the other campuses.
- Letter of Guiding Principles for a Collegial Assembly to be sent to President Theobald.
  o Lively discussions occurred regarding the final form and wording of this letter.
Collegial Assemblies appear to vary in form and function amongst the schools and colleges at Temple.
- A substitute letter was brought forth and accepted as a friendly comment.
- Amended letter was approved and sent to President Theobald with the intention that he is able to discuss this at the April 2 Faculty Senate Steering Committee meeting.

5. Election Committee Report
- Slates are set as submitted.
- No additional candidates were nominated.

- The FSSC was saddened to hear and sends condolences to Istvan Varkonyi for the loss of a loved one.
- Review Year for Gen Ed.
- Goal of Gen Ed – strengthen the undergraduate experience
  - Many aspects of the university operations, faculty and students affect this goal.
  - Much discussion ensued about the current status, programs and potential future directions.
- Advisory services in particular were discussed and expansion of these services was encouraged both to “at risk” and to “not at risk” students.
- Funding of the programs and services is important but sources are not clear.
- April 11 – Representative Faculty meeting for discussion of this program

7. Adjournment:
Meeting was adjourned at 3:07PM.

So the psychiatrist introduced himself to his new patient and asked the man what line of work he was in. The man replied, “I’m an auto mechanic.” The shrink replied, “OK. under the couch.”

Submitted with the hope that Trish will be back soon,

Chip Jungreis
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