

Faculty Senate Steering Committee
Tuesday, September 16, 2014
3B Conwell Hall
Minutes

Present:

Tricia Jones (Pres.), Deborah Howe (Vice Pres.), Adam Davey (Secy.), Mark Rahdert (Past-Pres.), Raghbir Athwal (TUSM), Li Bai (Engr), Cheri Carter (SSW), Michael Jackson (STHM), Michael Jacobs (Pharm), Stephanie Knopp (Tyl), Jim Korsh (CST), Paul LaFollette (Fac. Herald), Matthew Miller (TFMA), Michael Sachs (CHP), Catherine Schifter (Educ), Joseph Schwartz (CLA), James Shellenberger (LAW), Jeffrey Solow (BCMD), Karen M. Turner (SMC), Cheryl Mack (Coord.)

Absent: Kenneth Boberick (DENT), Forrest Huffman (FSBM)

Guests:

Jodi Levine Laufgraben

1. Call to Order:

President Jones called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes were approved as corrected.

3. President's Report:

Update on meeting with Karen Clarke for 10/14 planning.

President Theobald intends to address in some fashion all of the suggested topics proposed by President Jones, with the exception of Promotion and Tenure owing to the ongoing contract negotiations. We expect to receive key points from President's office prior to the President's address.

Update on Diversity Symposium:

Planning is moving forward for the Diversity Symposium and planning should be finalized this Friday. President Jones encouraged FSSC members to reach out personally to key individuals to encourage participation.

Update on meeting with Joyce Wilkerson.

Wilkerson is the new senior advisor for community relations and development. Reinvigoration of community-based learning initiatives is high on her priorities, which also includes serving as a

bridge or liaison for community-based learning programs. She may also be helpful in terms of helping faculty to identify other funding sources, such as contracts, to support community-based programs. She will talk with the FSSC on 10/21.

Update on RCM Faculty Development dates and discussion of progress in selection.

President Jones will meet with Katie D'Angelo on September 17 to establish RCM Faculty Development dates in November or early December. Help is also requested to determine ordering/grouping of Colleges for maximal benefit. It was suggested that President Jones consider contacting Deans for additional information regarding policies and process related to RCM.

4. Vice President's Report

Charge for EPPC and update progress. EPPC is in need of a Chair, and an explicit charge from the FSSC. Steven Gross has agreed to convene the first meeting. President Jones or Vice President Howe will attend that meeting in order to (re-)charge the committee in light of TRAC and APAC, and to facilitate the appointment of a Chair. Suggestions are welcomed for suggested members to fill the remaining committee vacancy.

5. Guest: Jodi Levine Laufgraben, Vice Provost for Academic Programs, Assessment and Institutional Research

Jodi Levine Laufgraben noted that the Temple bulletin was available on-line in web-based form. Undergraduate and graduate courses are together, with full descriptions, pre-requisites, and requirements, and will automatically be archived. Additional announcements and communications will follow: bulletin.temple.edu. The new system also interfaces with Banner. When new courses are added, they will automatically be added to the bulletin. Dars.temple.edu is now on-line as well for academic planning and advising.

Temple Review of Academic Programs and Courses (TRAC: sites.temple.edu/trac). Since posted, 428 courses forwarded plus 27 courses posted in September (majority new courses, with some changes). 9 months of course proposals; 4 cycles for academic programs. 64 program proposals. 78 "sessions" (accesses) between September 2nd and 14th. A small number (3) of proposals, there have generated "concerns" to be resolved by programs with vested interest. To this point, no concerns have reached APAC for resolution.

Information for Changes to Program approval processes will be offered on Thursday, September 18, 2:30-4:00 in Kiva Auditorium, Ritter Hall and Monday, September 22, 10:00-11:30 in Kiva Auditorium, Ritter Hall. Guidelines are available on Jodi's web page, and schedules will be announced when available (but proposers should plan on at least two months' advanced notice).

Fly in Four Updates. Final acceptance rate was 84% (target was 75%) for fly in four. Recalculated participant rate (based on those who enrolled), 88% of those still here after drop/add pattern. Her office is following up with the 12% who did not. 500 fly in four grants

were awarded. Students in the program will have a tab on their TUPortal page, with additional tools for advisors. Stay tuned for graduation numbers in four years.

Finally, periodic review is due to Middle States in June.

6. Old Business

Appointments to Sabbatical Committee. Mark Franko responded that he was unable to serve on the sabbatical committee. Giordano and Botwinick were approved for appointment for sabbatical committee, and Vice President Howe will contact Krishnan to indicate that submission of an application to the Sabbatical Committee does not disqualify his appointment.

7. New Business:

There was no new business.

8. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 23, 1:00 pm

Adam Davey
Secretary