Faculty Senate
Jan 2017
Minutes

Present: Steve Carlson, Larry Swain, K. Openshaw, Ryan Sayer, Samantha Jones, Miriam Webber, Andy Hafs, Dennis Lunt, Katie Peterson, Francois Neville, Carla Norris Raynbird, Sue Rickers, Bill Joyce, Christel Kippenhan, Crystal Clevon, Gary Rees, Tammy Bobrowsky, Debra Sea, Keith Gora, Kris Nei, Nancy Hall, Carolyn Rand, Joann Fredrickson, Timothy Goodwin, Michael J. Murray, Stacie Jergenson, Tiffany Hommes, Pat Donnay

Called to order at 4:02 PM

Approval of Dec. Minutes: Dennis L moved and Francois seconded to approve minutes. Motion carried.

President’s Report:
   a. Dean evaluations supposedly moving forward, supposedly going out on Monday 1/16
   b. Dean’s office hours, one dean holding office hours at rec ctr, asked for discussion on experiences, issues. No discussion.
   c. New legislature. Issues of academic freedom in the classroom. Report pressure, issues etc.

Officer’s Reports
   a. Negotiator’s report—meeting this month on the 27th to develop the opener, try and set up mtgs with MNSCU which won’t happen until March or April.
   b. GRC—attended Repub. Fundraisers, productive. Sen Abler said “let’s mess with MNSCU” wanting a bill that academic support be at 2/3. Plea for writing to our legislators. Pat Donnay remarked that there is precedent for this; Carlson mentioned that the Repubs are supportive of us.

Old Business—none

New Business
   a. Curriculum Committee moves its report III; Dennis L. stated that the Humanities major is being suspended for a year or two for personnel reasons as well as there being few students. It will be reevaluated at that time.
   b. Grievance Board: approval. Murray moved to have terms on the board be 2 years and staggered: 1. 17 2. 18 3. 18 4. 17 5. 18

      Paul seconded. Motion carries.

   c. University Committees
      1. 3 years terms by constitution
      2. Calls and elections
3. Assigning term lengths to current members
   Cristel stated that “something” needs to be done, gave example of a colleague.
   Cristel moved that we look at the essential university committees. Carla said that
   we ask admin about university committees. Derek believes that we probably know
   more than others. Carla asked if Affirmative Action replaced by Diversity, Mike
   moved to ask Deb Peterson the Affirmative Action person, motion carries.
   Murray moves to talk to A Carlson about Environmental Advisory Committee;
   motion carries. Murray moves to talk to Faust re: Horizons Committee. Motion
   carries.
   Institutional Animal Care—Kerry Openshaw is convener. Murray moved to put
   his name in there. Motion carries.

   On Human Subjects Committee, 2 colleges represented, not all 3. Change.

   Media board, lower on list. Same as Horizons?

   SAFAC-
   Student Programs and Admissions—imp
   Strategic Enrollment—Murray said this was Parker’s brain child, not sure if it is
   still active
   Crystal said that this committee does meet and Sarah Young is on it. Pat
   suggested asking Michelle Frenzel. So moved Cristel seconded, motion carried.

   Title IX Compliance: important Murray moved to ask Deb P for more

   Univ. Conduct Committee—Cristel moved that we request information from R.

   U. Parking: Murray moved Francois seconded to ask Casey McCarthy for
   information. Motion carries.

Other Business

Murray motioned ? seconded to adjourn. Motion carries at 4:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry Swain