## MINUTES OF FACULTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 28, 2007 8:30-10:00

Present: Lisa Aronson, Tim Burns (Scribe), Dan Curley (Chair), Jennifer Delton, Dan Hurwitz, Paty Rubio

- 1. The minutes of January 24 and January 31 were approved as previously emended.
- 2. Dan Curley and Jennifer Delton gave an update on the Round 2 Elections. A third person has agreed to run for FEC, giving us a slate, so elections will commence shortly.
- 3. The committee reviewed the proposed new description of Athletic Council sent to us, and proposed as a replacement for Part Two.II.12 of the current *Handbook*. Three problems were noted (and the document sent back for emendation):
  - a. If the committee is to be evaluating teaching performance of people in Athletics, it needs to be clear that the students on the committee are to be excluded from the evaluation deliberations.
  - b. The reporting of the evaluations needs to be spelled out. Presumably they will go to the DoSA. FEC recommends that there also be a dotted line reporting on this matter to the Dean of the Faculty.
  - c. Grammatical and stylistic changes to the new description are needed.

(In addition, the proposal needs to be put into the standard form for proposed changes to the Handbook. It should show the current description and the proposed new description, followed by a statement of rationale for the changes.)

- 4. The SGA proposal for a new task force to look into ownership and "philosophy" of IB was called back by SGA President Dan Moran as premature. Nonetheless, he asked for brief comments. FEC had the following questions
  - a. FEC is concerned about asking faculty to serve on another committee on this matter when it has not received reports of the summer task force or of the Honor Code Commission on this issue, both of which have already taken up faculty time and energy. Since the second charge of this task force appears to be to cover the same ground as both the summer task force and the Honor Code Commission's work, FEC would like to know why and by whom that work has been deemed unacceptable, before asking faculty to serve on yet another task force.
  - b. The second charge of the task force is not altogether clear.

## 5. Board of Trustees Observers Reports

Observers noted some of their concerns about what they had observed at various committee meetings, and were encouraged to bring these out with accurate reports and, where necessary, notes or addenda from the observers. Some issues may be best taken up on IPPC, after the reports are finished.

6. The committee discussed which bullet points of the prospective "Service Project" would need the attention/collaboration of administrators, and agreed to ask department chairs to go through Annual Reports and cull information on service since 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Burns