

Minutes of the Faculty Executive Committee

FEC-6

Monday, April 19, 2010

11:15 – 12:15 p.m.

Harder 209

Present: John Brueggemann (scribe), Dan Hurwitz (Chair), Karen Kellogg, Reg Lilly, Natalie Taylor

I. Minutes of 4/12 not available yet

II. “Faculty Discipline” Group

Dan reported that Susan Kress had responded to his communication about the “faculty discipline” group. She would like the working group to remain lean and consult widely as is necessary. Reg will represent FEC in this group.

III. Big 7 Motion wrap up

Two housecleaning motions were left on the floor of the last Faculty Meeting without having been addressed. We agreed to inform the VPAA’s office and proceed to call the question at the next meeting.

IV. Round IV

We discussed numerous details pertaining to this round. Natalie is on top of things.

V. Report on Observations of February Board of Trustees Meeting

We agreed that Dan has the authority and responsibility to complete our report on the last Board of Trustees meeting and to then distribute it to “faculty-list.”

VI. CAS membership

Dan reported that CAS members have deliberated carefully about the composition of their membership and continue to think that theirs should be an appointed committee with, generally speaking, at least one tenured member of the faculty as is possible. FEC concurs.

VII. Drafting FEC’s Annual Report

Dan will begin drafting our Annual Report. He intends to share a draft with us before May 3.

VIII. Concerns about voting practices at Faculty Meetings

After several questions have been raised about the soundness of votes taken on the Faculty Floor, one faculty member has suggested we considered using iClickers. FEC agreed to take up this matter in the future.

#### IX. Board of Trustees Observations in the Future

We again discussed the effectiveness of FEC's observations and reports related to BOT meetings. We agreed Dan would approach President Glotzbach about the possibility of sharing the administration's minutes with the faculty. FEC could then simply report on our observations in relation to said minutes.

#### X. Next Year's Agenda

We clarified various items put on the list during our 4/12 meeting, which will be available in minutes from that meeting.

#### XI. Strategic Decisions Regarding Deployment of Tenure-Track Lines

Reg raised a concern on behalf of several faculty including himself that the Dean's current efforts to deploy over two dozen tenure track lines (over the course of the next few years) should be informed by broader consultation with faculty. After a wide-ranging discussion, we left without any firm conclusions.

Meeting adjourned 12:15

Respectfully Submitted

John Brueggemann