

Faculty Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2012
4:00 pm Palamountain 316

Present: Jörg Bibow, Barbara Black (chair), Paul Sattler (scribe), April Bernard, Mehmet Odekon

I. The minutes of October 4th were approved, with minor changes.

II. Paul reported that the WTS Round I election was underway without any problems or technical issues.

III. Barbara reported that, after considering FEC's concerns about the creation of new standing committees, the DOF/VPAA has drafted a proposal outlining the elimination of the Science Planning Working Group to be replaced by a "hybrid" consultative group. Beau suggests that members of the original SPWG be mandated to consult directly with Chairs and Program Directors that would be affected by the new "science initiative." Such consultations would include issues related to space planning as well as academic affairs.

IV. Barbara presented FEC with the 6/1/12 draft of the Policy on Policies, of which she helped compose. Members of FEC discussed the circumstances over recent years that spurred the need for a clear set of procedures in the creation of college policies. The draft proposes a variety of consultation pipelines that attempt to cover a variety of scenarios in which new policies would be developed. Mehmet raised the possibility of changing the language of section 1b. to insure full faculty involvement in any policy that would affect the faculty or the curriculum (i.e. an intellectual property policy). Barbara asked Mehmet to propose new language for this section. FEC will continue to discuss the PoP draft at future meetings.

V. Discussion of two motions to come before the faculty at the November meeting, CC/minor and FEC/IPPC language, was tabled until next week.

VI. After receiving FEC's questions regarding the Self-Determined Major becoming a Program, Paty Rubio has requested a meeting with Barbara and Beau. All of FEC are invited to attend.

VII. Corey Freeman-Gallant will visit FEC's meeting on October 18th, to discuss the issue of "when Faculty bring harassment cases against students" of which all agree that there are currently inadequate procedures. Corey requests to consult with FEC the possibility of changes to the Faculty Handbook, any new positions that would be created and/or new language and training procedures for members of the Faculty Advisory Board (FAB).

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul