

Faculty Executive Committee

Minutes, 10 May 2018

Present: Greg Gerbi (chair), Kendrah Murphy (scribe), Juan Navea, and Gordon Thompson

- 1) Minutes from last meeting pending
- 2) FEC discussed issue brought up by CAFR at Committee of Committees meeting (lack of visibility/feeling that their work is not understood nor valued by the community). May be a future topic for a Committee of the Whole.
- 3) FEC will review operating code at next meeting. Ballot-building guidelines will also be reviewed, and will be included in the operating code.
 - a. Update to include service requirements for faculty on accelerated clocks: if first sabbatical is in year 4, service requirement will be the same as those on a regular tenure clock (i.e., 1 year of service before leave)
- 4) Discussed timing of elections for the upcoming year
 - a. Preference sheets due in October
 - b. Elections in November (before December holidays) so that committees with set meeting times are chosen before Fall class schedules are set (in February)
- 5) Discussed plans for the Fall
 - a. Reducing committee restrictions: asking committees to review restrictions
 - b. Course releases for committee chairs: work with Dean to come up with a transparent policy for "faculty workload credits" for committee service that will be posted on DoF website
 - c. Continue thinking about the mandate and service: should FEC be involved in non-governance service? make list smaller?
 - d. Housekeeping updates for faculty handbook: GG will get those to Debbie Peterson this semester
 - e. FAB membership wrong on website: needs to be corrected
 - f. Identify/consider topics for COWs
 - g. Faculty meetings: time for conversations and climate (some feel it is hostile; take steps to improve so more people feel comfortable speaking)
 - h. Election ballots: possibly have these open from 9am to noon the next day, then announce winner and new ballot in the afternoon
 - i. Preference sheets: increase the number of status groups (to separate Sr TT faculty) so not everyone has to rank ATC/PC

- j. Election software: need to set up meeting with Adam and Tony to discuss changes this month
 - k. Reconsider divisions, especially “pre-professional” (full of programs that do not fit into other divisions)
- 6) FEC will meet next week to work on updating operating codes and do committee appointments