

Faculty Executive Committee Meeting
Jan 29, 2024 2:00-3:00 pm
LIB 128A

minutes

Present: Dominique Vuvan (chair), Jeremy Day-O’Connell (scribe), Ting Li. (Absent: Oscar Perez-Hernandez.)

I. Approve minutes from Dec. 4, 2023

Minutes from Dec. 4, 2023 were approved without changes.

II. Update re: Promotions Committee personnel

Over Winter Break, the need arose for a one-semester replacement on Promotions Committee and was filled. This prompted some discussion about process, the availability of eligible substitutes, and relatedly, the current system of divisional representation.

III. Feb 2 Faculty Meeting

This Friday’s Faculty Meeting will include a report by FEC from December’s Committee of Committees Meeting. Materials from that meeting will be distributed ahead of the Faculty Meeting

We briefly reviewed an agenda that PC forwarded, concerning this Friday’s COW, which they will be hosting regarding *Faculty Handbook* criteria for promotion.

Ting will help oversee and facilitate the Zoom portion of the meeting, with Oscar or Dom.

IV. Governance review plan for the semester

As part of our governance review, FEC is conducting an audit of committees, in the form of a survey for committee chairs; responses to that survey are due on March 8. We discussed some other aspects of this review that we can do in parallel (in the three meetings we have between now and then. We agreed to: 1) complete our own committee audit, using the same rubric as distributed to other committees; 2) make public (incl. online) some of the work that was conducted last year (survey results, talking-points from faculty-only meeting, etc.); 3) identify

issues that will benefit from a deep dive. (These issues may include, for instance: the scope of the governance system [which committees are and aren't included as official governance service]; supply and demand of committee members; divisional representation; the governance service cycle.)

V. Facilitating faculty input into tenure-related institutional issues

We discussed possible avenues for faculty conversation and input on tenure-related institutional issues. It was agreed that we would circle back to a faculty colleague who had written to FEC on this issue last semester.