FACULTY SENATE MINUTES: January 30, 2009

All members present or represented except Jim Calvi and John Cooley.

1. Call to Order and Welcome at 12:15
2. Minutes of January 16, 2008 motion to approve Pulliam, second by Crafton, passed
3. Comments from Dr. O’Brien cancelled due to his other duties today
4. Comments from Dr. Hallmark
   a. Faculty Development Leave has now been adjusted as recommended, there will be three or four awards available for Fall 2009: Faculty need to apply now to be completed by April 1 to get on Board of Regents agenda in May
   b. Jean Twenge coming to campus next week, encourage all to come to evening lecture
   c. Feb. 17 will have convocation to honor endowed chairs and endowed professors, 4:30 Alumni Banquet Hall followed by reception
   d. In April will have Fulbright representatives on campus to have workshop on how to get a Fulbright
5. Unfinished Business
   a. Tabled motion: Fixed term-faculty policy
      i. Motion to have discussion by Pulliam, second by Crafton
      ii. All Faculty Senate suggestions have been incorporated but Dean’s Council has not yet approved
      iii. Motion to approve by Branson, second by Pulliam - passed
   b. Post-tenure review
      i. All changes suggested by Faculty Senate have been incorporated
      ii. Motion to approve by Pulliam, second by Matos – passed
6. Old Business
   a. Report of Committee on Tenure and Promotion process.
      i. Crafton reported experience of departmental, college, and university committees – everyone seemed to want it to work
      ii. Possible changes include: “meet or exceed” to be clarified; numeric voting caused confusion - some wanted to see how many votes were in each category, some wondered if they were to be rounded up; collegiality not very controversial, main concern was some of committee might not know the candidate, many abstained – was that appropriate?
         1. Riney suggested that Yes on Collegiality ought to be default, only say No if knew of good reason
         2. Hansen suggested that only vote on Collegiality at department level
         3. Hallmark commented that Collegiality vote could be unfair to some candidates, due too much to
personalities of those on committee, don’t want to use Collegiality to get rid of those who question authority

4. It may be possible for Faculty Senate to get Collegiality out of the voting process, but need to have clear proposal for T&P University Committee

iii. Single portfolio, simpler procedure, was a success

iv. Need to make sure that departmental wording is the same as university wording so is consistent all the way up

v. If Faculty Senate wants to make changes, bring specific proposals to Perry Crafton and we can have it ready for committee when they meet in March.

vi. Hallmark suggested that President of Faculty Senate by on University T&P Committee, Landram agreed as would balance the committee – discussion ensued

vii. Hansen asked Senators to gather input from colleagues

   i. Two members absent, will hear report next week

7. New Business:
   a. Senate screening committee for FDL
      i. Mike Meyers cannot serve so Marietta Branson will
      ii. Jean Stuntz
      iii. Bonnie Pendleton
      iv. Karyn Friske
      v. Jim Calvi
      vi. Senators are to urge their colleagues to apply

b. Regent’s Professor
   i. Do not have direct confirmation but should have nominations again this year, start earlier this year

8. Other Business/Future considerations
   a. Senate Constitution and Bylaws: set target date
      i. Jim Calvi is chair
   b. Comments on ARFP/Sedona process
      i. Discussion
      ii. Is there a new certification for everyone or just for departments getting accredited this year?
      iii. Senators are asked to collect input from their colleagues on the Sedona process
   c. What is procedure for Senate to ask for closed session?
   d. Hansen invited all to Faculty Grand Recital and “Beauty and the Beast”

9. Adjourn at 1:26