
I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 10:09 by Julia Robinson, Chair

II. Minute Approval: Motion by Martin, second by Yust to approve meeting minutes from February 13. Motion passed.

III. Report from Senators: Marilyn Bruin reported that the focus of discussion was on the graduate school. The CDes senators tried to get CDes representation on the graduate school design team, but were unsuccessful. Tom Fisher shared that the graduate school will not be as decentralized as originally thought. Questions & comments:

- Will the money follow the work? Does this decision make financial sense?
- Bob Sykes: CDes faculty should support both motions put forward by faculty senate. Democracy of graduate school will be lost without faculty governance. A straw vote indicated a majority of faculty supported the senate motions. Faculty were encouraged to forward ideas and opinions to their senators.
- Becky Yust: A number of educational policies were passed that have implications for faculty. A convenient chart is available that summarizes decisions (attached).

IV. Committee Reports:

- **Adjunct:** Julia Robinson read the following report from Joe Favour, Chair of the Adjunct Faculty Consultative Committee
  1. Jan Batt presented the draft Collegiate plan and asked for feedback from the Adjunct Faculty committee on the sections referring to Adjunct and P&A appointments. The committee members had a few minor suggested revisions. The Collegiate Plan was a welcome clarification of many of the committee's questions posed to Jan in an earlier meeting.
  2. The committee asked Jan Batt and Kathy Witherow about orientation for new (and returning) adjunct faculty. The committee encourages the college to pursue an annual opportunity for adjunct faculty to be oriented to University policies and opportunities available to support adjunct faculty efforts.
  3. The committee set a tentative date for the next adjunct faculty meeting in late July to plan for an all-adjunct meeting in late August or early September.
• **Centers Policy & Advisory:** Bill Conway reported that the CPAC has had multiple meetings whose purpose has been to (a) establish mission & goals; (b) establish review process for existing centers and (c) establish process to review new centers. They also identified the need to increase communication regarding the value of centers. Reports will be out and processes established fall semester. Bill is meeting with R&O directors in May.

• **Curriculum.** Bob Sykes explained the rational for the recent e-vote. He also noted the feedback that asked for a revised website to reflect an executive summary. Vote tallies will also be included on the Website.

• **Faculty Consultative.** Denise Guerin reported that the committee met twice, primarily to establish their role. As liaison to the dean, they will act informally, discuss ideas and respond back to the assembly. The issue of disengagement of faculty, particularly on committees, was discussed at the most recent FCC meeting.

• **Faculty Leave.** Kim Johnson reported that the committee met in February, reviewed SQL proposals, and made recommendations to the associate deans.

• **P&T.** Lance Neckar reported that in addition to reviewing dossiers, the committee looked across department tenure codes to determine what should and should not be done at the collegiate level.

**V. Task Force Reports:**

- Revenue: Brad Hokanson presented a PP (attached)
- Pulse Survey: Julia Robinson, Steven McCarthy and Tom Fisher met to determine a follow up approach to the Pulse Survey results. One possibility is to set up a secure website for faculty to post comments. Faculty also expressed the desire to have a faculty member from outside the college serve as an ombudsperson to represent faculty concerns to the Dean. After lengthy discussion in the faculty assembly, it was agreed that the HR director would get more detailed information about the CDes responses. An alternative is to redo the survey.

**VI. Report from the Deans:** Kate Solomonson and Marilyn DeLong reported on some of the faculty accomplishments this past year. List includes:

  - Kate Solomonson
    - Ph.D. in Design approved
    - Revamp of Bachelor of Environmental Design
    - Architecture is freshman admitting
    - Heritage Preservation first cohort in place
    - Applications are up
    - Human Factors Ph.D. is in the works
    - A group is working on an interdisciplinary program in design
    - Need to deal with transitions in the graduate school
  - Marilyn DeLong
    - New Center for Design & Health, led by Kathleen harder
    - Product Design group is active, identifying networking opportunities
• Open forums on Design Institute generated many ideas

VII. Old and New Business:

Curriculum: Bob Sykes explained the rational behind the motion on the floor from the curriculum committee. This allows motions to be circulated for e-vote without first presenting at a Faculty Assembly. Electronic vote of this motion to follow. It was suggested that in the future, reports be solicited from committee and task force chairs and distribute with the agenda for review prior to the meetings.

Graduate School Discussion: Those present at the meeting agreed that there would be an e-vote on each the two motions that were placed on the floor of the senate meeting.

VIII. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Minutes submitted 4/21/09
Kathy Witherow