

Minutes of the Faculty Executive Committee

FEC-6

Monday, April 20, 2009

11:30 p.m.

Palamountain 304

Present: John Brueggemann (Chair, scribe), Jennifer Delton, Dan Hurwitz, Natalie Taylor

I. Minutes

A. Those from 3/30/08 were approved with minor changes and will be emailed to Pat Hilleren for posting at FEC's archives. Minutes from 3/23/09 and 4/13/09 have not yet been distributed.

B. There was collective agreement that we all have to do our best to complete minutes – both from FEC meetings and BOT observations – in a timely fashion.

II. Round IV

A. Natalie gave an update about Round IV, which will be completed tomorrow.

B. She and JB will receive the results from Sue Blair and confer with the committee if any issues emerge before they share the results with those on the ballot.

C. Natalie will confer with the President's office about the appointment of faculty representatives to IPPC subcommittees before final decisions are made.

III. UWW

A. We reviewed the revised draft of our report, which Jennifer has been working on. We agreed that the basic process behind the faculty's recommendation to close the UWW program did have integrity.

B. Jennifer will clarify that conclusion in a new draft, polish up the language around the several concerns that have been raised, and then share this new draft with FEC, in the hopes that FEC-9 can discuss this issue at its next meeting.

C. We agreed that one particular concern that surfaced should be discussed a broader context of issues of governance related to IPPC. That is the question of IPPC, which is headed by the President, sponsoring legislation that is acted on by the faculty and results in a recommendation to the President.

IV. The Service/Governance Problem

- A. We agreed to ramp down on our efforts on this issue until next fall.
- B. We plan to revise the report, taking in to account comments and corrections colleagues have offered. JB will email the faculty to inform them that we remain open to input and plan to pick up the agenda again in the fall.
- C. The focus at that time will be the “6-30-11” strategy – that is, concrete action related to the “big six,” a 30 percent reduction in committee spots for faculty, and careful consideration of the eleven new principles of governance.

V. Next Meeting

- A. FEC-9 will convene next week, Monday, April 27 in Palamountain 304.
- B. The first topic will be how we should structure FEC-6/9/IPPC.
- C. The second issue, if there is time, will be the assessment of the process behind the decision to close UWW.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Brueggemann