Faculty Senate Minutes  
Monday, February 26, 2007

In attendance: Barry Parker; Betsy Morris; Bob Namvar; Jan Kodat; Laura Veltman; Nathan Lewis III; Richard Mobley; Susan Studer; Susan Drummond; Tim Jackson

I. Meeting was opened with prayer.

II. Due to inadequate number of attending Senators, approval of the February 12th minutes was postponed to the next Faculty Senate meeting.

III. In following up reports /recommendations:

   • Richard Mobley prompted the members of the Faculty Senate to participate voluntarily in upcoming Course Evaluation reliability test.

   • The Course Evaluation Committee proposed to add a set of new questions to the end of the online evaluation form.

   • As the discussion on the implications of wide-ranging responsibilities of the newly appointed Dean of College of Professional Studies continues, Richard Mobley encouraged the Senators to discuss this issue in School and Department meetings on issues such as: maintenance of integrity and consistency of curricula overseen by various Schools and Departments; hiring of adjunct faculty members; and the possibility that WASC may raise questions about this structure.

IV. The Committee on Committee reported that their decision on the last year’s committee assignments was difficult due to not having all information they needed. The Faculty Senate suggests that the assignment of the committees for next year be done in collaboration with the Provost office.

V. A discussion started on the clarification of the important factors affecting merit and promotional decisions. Richard Mobley prompted the Senators to read the sections on merit and promotion policies in the Faculty Handbook.

VI. Senate Adjourned at 3:50 PM.

VII. Next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2007

Respectfully submitted by Bob Namvar, Faculty Secretary/ Treasurer