CLAS Faculty Council Minutes

Wednesday, January 14th, 2015 Pugh 150

Meeting convenes at 11:50 pm

Members present: Nina Caputo (Hist.), Ben Smith (Pol. Sc., chair), Ido Oren (Pol. Sc.), Jon Martin (Geo), Valeria Kleiman (Chem.), Gene Witmer (Phil.), Gillian Lord (assembly chair, Ex-officio member), Shifra Armon (Span. & Port.), Charles Gattone (Socio.), Martha Wayne (Bio.), Sharon Abramowitz (Anthrop.).

Student representatives: Sarah Harper

Not present: Kenneth Kidd (Eng.), Vince Vatter (Math.),

1) Dean search: B.S. reported from conversations with Elaine Turner (chair, search committee) Airport interviews will happen in late January/early February Fac. council was invited to participate in some way. The consensus is to have as many Fac. Council members present in those interviews and to try to include the advisory committee schedule to be sure they can participate.

2) Motion to approve the minutes I.O., 2nd G. L. Approved.

3) Online Peer-Teaching evaluation:
The initial step will include collecting as much info as possible.
   a) VDK will contact Phil Brucat (chemistry)
   b) BS will contact Mark Rush (Economics)
   c) MW will contact Bonnie Moradi (psychology)
   d) SH will ask the student council for some feedback
   e) BS will contact the CITT to seek a possible survey to students to answer some of these questions
   f) GL will contact somebody in Education
   g) We also want to collect data from programs that might be able to compare UFonline and in-residence classes (to see what is similar)

At 12:47 Interim Dean D. R. joined the meeting

He presented 5 issues shared with the provost in response to the new president transition team request.
   • Modifications or changes to the funding model.
   • Enrollment growth.
   • Grand Challenges in core courses.
   • Definition of the top 10, so a strategic plan can be developed.
   • Campus improvements and facilities.

At 1:32 Interim Dean D. R. leaves the meeting

At 1:40 pm the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted by Valeria Kleiman