

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
Faculty Council Meeting  
October 07, 2010

Members Present: Mark Baskaran, David Coleman, renee hoogland, Charles Parrish, Fred Pearson, Larry Lombard, Caroline Morgan, Allen Goodman, Mark Ferguson, Elizabeth Lublin, Geoff Nathan, Anne Duggan, Boris Baltes, Marsha Richmond

Attending: Robert Thomas, Donald Haase, Christine Chow, Caroline Brzuchowski, Paul Clemens, Joe Kieleszewski

Absent With Notice: Mark Vanberkum, John Klein, Avis Vidal, Robert Reynolds

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the September 02, 2010 meeting were approved as amended.

Associate Dean Donald Haase, speaking of the Promotion and Tenure process, noted that Ljiljana Progovac would be replacing John Corvino on the Promotion and Tenure committee this year, as Corvino was awarded a Career Development Chair for next semester.

Haase also noted that the subcommittee reviewing the college's Promotion and Tenure factors will complete its work by the end of October or early November.

Haase provided a list of faculty who had agreed to serve on the Student Academic Misbehavior Panel. Council had no objections or changes to the list.

Dean Thomas spoke on the topic of graduate student ethics, highlighting a recent case in Nutrition and Food Science. After much discussion, a motion to form a subcommittee to review the section of the Graduate Bulletin pertaining to essays, theses, and dissertations was passed. Caroline Morgan and Mark Baskaran agreed to serve on the subcommittee and to report back.

Fred Pearson asked about the process for earmarks for federal funding. The dean said that, thus far, there was no issue with ranking the proposals from CLAS, as Fred was the only person to submit one. Even if a request is successful, the dean said, there can be a year or two delay in receiving the funds.

Charles Parrish asked about the RFP submissions from CLAS and expressed concern that the committee at the provost level that would be reviewing the submissions was not familiar with the college's needs in large lecture courses. The dean said that he would send the proposals to the council. It was agreed that it would be easier to post them on Blackboard instead.

Parrish asked if the deans of the various colleges are concerned with undergraduate education and retention and asked what CLAS is doing to improve advising. Associate Dean Don Haase enumerated the advising areas in which the college is making changes and improvements. Parrish suggested that the college “think big” when it comes to advising changes.

Mark Ferguson, a member of the Faculty Council subcommittee on retention, noted that the committee had discussed many of the points raised by Parrish at its meeting just prior to the meeting of the full council.

Lawrence Lombard expressed his displeasure with the elimination of the pre-major codings in CLAS.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35.