

Faculty Meeting Minutes Monday, March 10, 2003

Call to Order : 4:05

Devotions by Ernst F. Tonsing: "Better no shoes than no books"

"For What It's Worth"

Kris Butcher: Textbook buyers - what is ethical?

Minutes

Approval of February 10, 2003 minutes: approved

Administrative Reports

Promotions (Pam Jolicoeur)

Associate Professor: Michaela Reaves, Michael Roehr

Full Professor: Xiang Chen, Sharon Docter, Ken Gardner, Wyant Morton

Report from the Board of Regents (Leanne Neilson)

Meeting focused solely on the academic mission: academic programs make the difference in the public's perceptions of a university, but the public has little to no knowledge of CLU. Next meeting, in May, will focus on CLU's financial status and financial planning.

Authorization of BS in bioengineering; MS in computer science; and approval of the 5 percent salary increase pool for faculty.

Faculty Committee Reports

EPPC

Liberal Studies Programs: first review

EPPC moves that faculty:

- Approve deletion of noncredential track in Liberal Studies major. Has had only 10 students in last four years. Reason: Students better served with teaching-credential track. Students can still graduate with a liberal studies major even if they can't earn letter of subject matter competence due to low GPA.
- Approve Liberal Studies revisions in traditional program.

Due for vote in April faculty meeting.

Introduction to new Liberal Studies program for ADEP. EPPC has no recommendation about this program because of concerns raised about format/delivery of program -- new program covers many core requirements that would not be taught by other CLU departments but through the School of Education. However, state has affected format, and there seems to be preliminary interest about it in the community.

Carol Bartell stated that this program responds to a need for adults to finish their credentials in the evening; would be contracted out to part-time faculty or to full-timers who want to teach overloads. State funding exists for paraprofessionals to earn their degree; this program should tap into that funding.

Pam Brubaker stated that the concern is whether this should be considered a “Cal Lutheran degree” if it’s not taught by full-time CLU faculty; question of quality control.

Julie Sieger reiterated that the demand for the program is very high, based on discussions with local educational programs. Program will be only for ADEP students; traditional students will not be permitted to petition to take an ADEP course.

Bruce Stevenson: Why not? Mike Doyle: Developmentally and experientially, older ADEP students are more capable of assimilating these courses and their material than the traditional 18-year-old student.

Kris Butcher: What percent of other ADEP program faculty are full-term vs. part-time? Mike: 60 percent are adjunct faculty; some are “regular” adjunct faculty.

David del Testa: Why not simply collapse education courses and expand other courses (music, history, etc.)? Is this an ersatz course at CLU offered in the name of revenue? Mike Doyle: Provides an educational experience that produces learning and that an independent body has looked at and approved; not “ersatz.”

Michaela Reaves: Make 12 units more discrete: History department willing to teach during that time period for two units. Uncomfortable with collapsed curriculum. Possible to open it up to 3 4-unit classes rather than a collapsed 12-unit? Julie: Mike McCambridge will probably teach course as an overload.

Joe Everson: Should we call the question and have an open forum before next month?

Linda Ritterbush: Can we request that EPPC bring a recommendation?

Cynthia Jew: Agree that issues should be “flushed out” at EPPC level, brought during an open forum.

Pam Brubaker: EPPC didn’t have 12 weeks to examine this major program in response to pressure, so committee does not feel it’s had time to consider all the facts. Needs more time in order to bring a recommendation to the faculty.

Julie Sieger: Didn’t get approval from state until January and hoped to have program ready in September. Hadn’t received indication from EPPC that there wasn’t enough time.

Leanne Neilson: EPPC should further examine, and a faculty forum should be scheduled. Will be brought back next month for a decision.

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FEC (Julie Sieger)

FYI: Changing name of the Research & Review committee to Institutional Review Board to comply with federal guidelines.

In April meeting, elections will be held for committees with elected positions: chair of FADC, two positions on ART, two positions at-large on FEC, and chair of EPPC.

Budget Committee (Bob Allison)

Substantially below forecast for “other income and support” category; interest income low for short-term investments. A little bit under forecast in tuition revenue, expectation is that CLU will get close, but have no surplus.

Scholarships and awards expenses [discount rate] are up \$400,000 from amount budgeted because of a surplus of qualifying students this year.

Instructional area adversely impacted by lower endowment earnings; there are also “issues” with lecture budget, and small enrollment in some programs. Also, state law governing newer endowment spinoff is affecting earnings.

Some discretionary capital projects will be deferred. Some open positions frozen until 6/1. Requested university to control expenditures.

Next year’s budget: faculty & lecturers: 5% pool; administration & staff: 4% pool; student labor budget: no increase. Major cost increase for medical benefits – expected to increase about 20%.

Jamshid Damooei: Does it make sense to fail to increase student labor funds, since that work will need to be outsourced to someone else?

Enrollment is increasing, but so is student interest in on-campus residence, putting more pressure on student housing situation. CLU is purchasing houses as quickly as it can -- it’s cheaper to buy houses than build a residence hall.

CLU is getting close to enrollment capacity (@ 400 freshmen). Worst-case scenario: CLU has to cut off enrollment; but because top students enroll first, and they qualify for the scholarships and awards, the discount rate will go up considerably. Thus, CLU will have less revenue than needed.

Announcements

Reestablish weekly “Conversations about Europe” in Ambassador Margarita Hegardt residence, first scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 4:30-7 p.m. - Jamshid Damooei

PATEC nominations requested - Michael Arndt

Midterm notices of academic difficulty due and needed; WASC proposal was approved; clarification of Academic Calendar: Spring Break scheduled 4 p.m. Friday, March 21 and resume Monday, 7:30 a.m., March 31. But there will be a 4-day weekend over Easter on April 20, from Good Friday, April 18 to Monday, April 21 (classes resume 4 p.m. Monday) - Pam Jolicoeur

Art exhibits: Bob Privitt in Kwan Fong Gallery until Tuesday, March 25; Senior Art Exhibition “Semblance” dates changed to Sunday, April 27 to May 17, in Kwan Fong Gallery. - Larkin Higgins

Interactive Arts Festival April 6-April 12 in Kwan Fong Gallery - Tim Hengst

Concert April 11 in the Chapel - features Henry Brandt, who holds Pulitzer Prize in Music - Mark Spraggins

The Faith & Life Conference - Saturday, March 15 - “Call to Teach: Educating as a Vocation” - free for CLU faculty and students. Preregistered faculty also get lunch for free - Night before will feature talk by Dr. Leonard S. Smith in Nelson Room. - Guy Erwin

Faculty Friday 4 p.m. - March 14 - at the home of Charles Hall

Faculty Friday 4 p.m. - April 25 - at the home of Leanne Neilson

Housing needed for visiting artist Tran Long - Leanne Neilson for David Del Testa

Faculty discussion on Iraq Crisis scheduled for Monday, March 17, at noon in HUM 107 (Sue Corey)

Benefits survey coming, prioritizing importance of benefits - Susan Tolle

Faculty members needed for Community Leaders Association - Millie Murray-Ward

For the Good of the University

Michael Arndt's Excellence in Theater Education by Kennedy Center American College Festival reward, revisited

Adjournment: 5:38 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 14, 2003

<http://www.clunet.edu/FEC/>

Minutes submitted by:

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Dru Pagliassotti