

Faculty Meeting Agenda
Monday, March, 2005

Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.
- Devotions were led by Millie Murray Ward.

Minutes:

- Minutes of the February 14, 2005 meeting were approved as written.

Administrative Reports:

- Report on the Board of Regents Meeting (Guy Erwin, Joe Everson, Luther Luedtke): Guy Erwin reported on the Board of Regents meeting held in February. Academic Affairs committee heard reports regarding a possible nursing/health sciences initiatives and the viability for new programs on our campus. Nandra Perry also reported on the Gender and Women's Studies Program. Concern focused on faculty compensation and governance issues, including a higher salary pool than currently offered and clarity for the expectations and job responsibilities of the new Provost and restructuring of financial reporting. The regents supported the strategic focus of academic quality. Provost Joe Everson reported on honorary degrees and asked that faculty respond with nominees. Housing grants will be limited to new faculty and based on need. Faculty was invited to encourage student participation in the Study Abroad Program. The program offices are now located across from the Centrum. He also asked for faculty participation in the new forums developed to encourage faculty input into the strategic plan. Dr. Luedtke reported that Tim Hengst has been named Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He also discussed the opportunities for leadership among faculty. The search committee for the provost position will be commenced after spring break. The president expressed concern regarding communications and asked for faculty input for suggestions for improvement. The budget process does include a faculty increase for next year, but there are concerns that for salaries to increase to a competitive level, a focus on endowments will need to occur.

- In addition, Guy Erwin reported that Community Leaders Association and its relationship to the university have been noted, and leaders of the CLA will be meeting with university administration this week.

Faculty Committee Reports:

- EPPC (Cindy Wyels)
 - The Political Science curriculum revision has been approved by the undergraduate subcommittee. It will come for a vote at the next faculty meeting.
 - Communication Department will be moved to the Social Sciences Division and the History Department will be moved to the Humanities Division.

- Policy recommendation for courses to satisfy Core requirements was introduced as an attachment. This also will come up for a vote at the next faculty meeting.
 - Update on Honors Program: The current program is the one which will be operating under the new catalog for next school year. An open hearing will be held after spring break with date and time to be announced.
 - The provost announced several departmental changes that will be voted on at a future faculty meeting.
- FEC (Dru Pagliassotti)
 - Amendment to Calendar Committee will be up for vote in April.
 - Subject Matter Committee (Julie Sieger)
 - Forms for 500-level courses that fulfill requirements for undergraduates were distributed. Please have students take the forms with them to the registrar's office when they register for classes.

Announcements:

- Pam Brubaker reported on Women's History Month activities and speakers during March.
- Jarvis Streeter announced that there is an opportunity to Kevin Kern as Grand Marshal for the Conejo Days Celebration. Faculty may purchase badges to support the campaign.
- Paul Hanson asked for understanding from the faculty for the spring sports program schedule, which has been dramatically revised because of weather-related problems this winter.
- Michaela Reeves reported that her grant project on a documentary of modern-day stories of the Chumash Indian descendants will be presented on April 11 at 10 AM in the Preus-Brandt Forum. A public session at 6 PM will also be held.
- Millie Murray Ward recognized Guy Erwin for his talk on KCLU last week.

Adjournment at 4:55 PM

- WASC Reception at Scandinavian Cultural Center to follow.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 11th

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Erickson