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Council of Chairs  
June 3, 2010  
12:15 to 1:45 p.m.  
213 McLemore Hall

Minutes


1.0 Call to Order:  12:20 PM
2.0 Approval of agenda:  moved by M. Miles, 2nd by J. Olmi
3.0 Guests: None
4.0 Approval of minutes: moved by B. Bateman, 2nd by J. Olmi
5.0 Committee reports from CoC representatives
   5.1 Provost Council—Ed Mann reporting. Did not attend the meeting but as a follow-up, understand that the Textbook policy has been adopted.
   5.2 RCM Budget Committee—Skip Hughes. No report.
   5.3 UPC—Tim Rehner & Bill Powell. No report.
   5.3.1 Comments: Summer compensation to be determined if department is making money on classes offered; will the funds be swept into the general fund to pay for utilities, security and capital improvements? Related issues: Intercession impacts summer sessions and it needs to be added to the summer teaching load. Also impacts the faculty research and scheduling two sessions would be better than a full summer session. Courses offered are dependent on available faculty and the salary offered which competes with other universities which pay more. Also, the small classes that make during intersession will not necessarily make during summer session and are cancelled. There needs to be a more efficient method of managing summer session. Need to address summer school issues and concerns.
   5.4 Chair Development Committee—Lisa Nored & Kathy Yadrick reporting.
5.4.1 July 7th Open Forum with the Provost to include a presentation on Principles in Research. Comment: D. Duhon extended invitation to chairs to attend a meeting sponsored by College of Business on Friday October 22, 2010.

5.5 Faculty Handbook Committee—Bob Bateman reporting.
5.5.1 Discussion on FH Option 1 addressing the evaluation of the department chair by departmental faculty. Strong opposition to proposed change to Faculty Handbook.
5.5.2 Discussion regarding participation of asst/assoc deans in the T&P deliberations. See FH Chapter 8 about eligibility to participate in review of faculty.

5.6 Strategic Enrollment & Planning Council—Chris Campbell reporting. No report.

5.7 Space Utilization and Allocation Review Committee—Kathy Yadrick & Lisa Nored reporting.
5.7.1 Space will be reviewed pending requests; waiting for written policies to be implemented to address pending requests.

6.0 Old Business
6.1 Meeting days and time for AY 2010-2011—Tim Rehner.
6.1.1 General discussion about meetings FY2010/2011 was followed by agreeing that business meetings may be more productive if guests are invited to speak to chairs at a later time each month.

7.0 New Business
7.1 Election of Chair-Elect: S. Hughes was nominated and elected chair-elect for academic year 2010/2011.

8.0 Announcements/Reminders
8.1 Next meeting: August 12, 2010, Southern Hall room 115 at 12:15 PM.

9.0 Adjourn: 1:20PM