Signed in as present:


Not signed in but present: J.C. Casey, S. Rees

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 11:07 pm by D. Reigh.

II. Approval of Minutes. J. Loutch corrects the announcement about Darwin’s Day, it is February 12th. Previous minutes will be amended. Minutes of January meeting approved (Crow/Warden). Motion carries.

III. Treasurer’s Report – S. Weber reports a balance of $156.70. 22 people have not paid dues.

IV. Regents Meeting Report – D. Reigh says that the next meeting is February 10th.

V. Committee Reports

Faculty Advisory Committee
• N. Osborn reports that this committee is incredibly concerned with the increasing costs of textbooks and exploring options. Higher Education Day will be February 10th at the State Capitol. This committee will not be having a speaker from Health Choice visit but will meet with OTRS in March. There is still widespread concern about HB 1083. D. Reigh and N. Osborn will draft a formal resolution from Faculty Association and will send it out though email for any corrections/changed.

HLC
• No report.

Tenure/Promotion
• J.C. Casey reports this committee will be meeting next week.

Handbook
• L. Hester emailed out proposed changes to the Faculty Handbook for everyone to peruse. D. Reigh recommends that the section on dossiers be amended to allow for access to those outside of the committee. Extended discussion about different elements takes place, specifically as to how much faculty involvement should take place in the hiring process. Basically, we talked about how open and inclusive the process should be and what the role of the division chairs should be in hiring. Motion made to approve the Hiring policies amended document with D. Reigh’s changes (Bruce/Shafer). Motion carries. Motion made to approve the Salaries section (Bruce/Casey). Motion carries.

Curriculum
• S. MacDonald says committee has not met so no report.

Resource
• D. Reigh reports that he will call for a meeting.

Distinctiveness
• D. Reigh says he will be calling for a meeting of this committee soon.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

1. Elections for next year’s officers. N. Osborn and J.C. Casey will serve on the Nominations Committee and will present nominees at next meeting.

VIII. Announcements

1. J. Johnson announces that the chocolate party will be held on February 28th.

2. D. Reigh announces the Scholastic Meet.

3. E. Guzik reminds everyone about the Emerson-Wier Liberal Arts Symposium to be held on March 26th. A panel discussion is scheduled for 4:00, and the keynote address will be given by E.O. Wilson at 7:30.

4. N. Warden announces that the Hypatia Luncheon will be held on March 9th.

5. J. Loutsch announces that King Cakes will be for sale in Davis Hall on February 24th benefitting Relay for Life.
IX. Adjournment takes place at 11.55.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Karjala