

Faculty Policy Council Minutes
September 12, 2005

Members Present: Ellen Amatea, Elizabeth Bondy, Mary Brownell,
Mary Ann Clark, Ester de Jong, Kathy, Gratto, Cyndy Griffin,
Dave Honeyman, Hazel Jones, Tracy Linderholm

Members Absent: Rod Webb

Others Present: Dean Catherine Emihovich, Associate Dean Jeri Benson, Associate
Dean Paul Sindelar

Jones called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.

Agenda and Minutes

1. Approval of the agenda for September 12, 2005

Griffin moved to approve the agenda. Honeyman seconded the motion. The FPC unanimously approved the agenda.

2. Approval of the minutes from the April 25, 2005 meeting

A correction was made to the members absent list: remove T. Scott, add M. Brownell. Brownell made a motion to approve the April 25, 2005 minutes. deJong seconded the motion. The FPC unanimously approved the minutes.

Folders

1. Jones distributed folders to the FPC.

Folders contained updated COE constitution (which is also on the website), a statement from the Faculty Senate Presidential Task Force on Implementation of Shared Government Structure, April 25 FPC minutes, and today's agenda.

Announcements

1. Upcoming Meetings

Agenda Committee meetings scheduled for Sept. 19, 2005, Oct. 17, 2005, and Nov. 21, 2005 at 11:00 AM in deans' suite

There is no FPC meeting on September 26, 2005 because the College Curriculum Committee will meet on that date.

2. Election of Agenda Committee Member

FPC unanimously approved M. Brownell for the Agenda Committee

3. Review of Committee Duties

A connection is needed between FPC committees and strategic planning initiative. Reviewed the role of each FPC committee; reminded committees to announce meetings publically; need chairs' notebooks from 2004-2005 year. Discussed whether or not all policy proposals coming out of strategic planning should go to the agenda committee. It was decided to see how the first retreat evolves; then it will be clear how the strategic planning initiative links to the FPC committees.

Discussion Items

1. Paul Sindelar reviewed plans for the September 30th faculty retreat on building a research culture

Draft of agenda was distributed; the overarching goal for the year is improving the COE research culture; by December, task forces/committees will develop action proposals

Example of a critical action – a research conference for Fall 2006 to showcase what we do; anyone who would like to start planning is welcome to

Research strategic task force will flesh out the details for Sept. 30

2. Dean's role in shared governance

Discussed statement that came out of the UF Deans' conversation with the president about shared governance. A new challenge is the interface between shared governance and the faculty union.

Report From the Dean

Three main points for State of the COE

1. Goals for COE

To be presented Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2005 at the Faculty Reception at the Hilton; the event on Sept. 30, 2005 will focus on the first goal

(1) to build a research culture

(2) to build curriculum and programs – shift away from initial teacher preparation toward graduate programs in areas such as ongoing professional development and using distance education technologies; recruit faculty and doctoral students

(3) to create and disseminate a nationally recognized outreach scholarship model
– theme “Children, Families, Diversity and Schooling”

2. *Fien Lecture Series*

Speakers are being identified and secured for this year.

3. *Centennial Events*

Plans are still being developed; need a culminating event

4. *Other Business*

COE budget looks good; Dean will share with FPC soon

Amatea made motion to adjourn. Brownell seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 3:53 pm.