

FACULTY SENATE
APRIL 25, 2012
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4:10 PM – 5:00 PM
MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-BOZEMAN, MONTANA
Minutes

Members Present: Bolte (Music), Burrows (Ext), Cantalupo (Ext), Caton (Business), Eitle (Soc/Anthro), Engel (LR), Frick (Ag/Ed), Gerlach (ChBE), Greenwood (Math), Hatch for Newhouse (Art), Herbeck (Ed), Kaiser (E&CE), Larson for Sobek (M&IE), Letiecq (HHD), Lynch (Psych), Mokwa (Civ Eng), Moreaux (Animal & Range), Martin (Mod. Lang), Neumeier (Physics), Ricciardelli (Film & Photo), Rossmann (Libraries), Schachman (Nursing), Varricchio for Hendriks (Earth Sciences), Zhu (CS)

Others Present: Ron Larsen, Martha Potvin

Chair-elect Neumeier called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm.

Minutes from April 11 and April 18, 2012 were unanimously approved.

University Shared Governance Council:

FS discussed retaining the current membership structure of the university councils:

University Council:	By position: Chair, Faculty Senate
Deans Council:	By position: Chair, Faculty Senate
Budget Council:	Election from among Faculty Senators
Planning Council:	By position: Chair-elect, Faculty Senate
Research Council:	Election from among Faculty Senators

Elected FS Council members are automatically members of the FSSC and provide reports to the committee, as well as to FS. Specific time will be set aside for such reporting. New membership would begin mid-year and duration would be two year terms. FS members voted to retain the option that the membership may be renewed, once. Policy for nominees might be placed in the Faculty Handbook

New Business:

Workload Memo – Doralyn Rossmann

Via the Collective Bargaining Agreement, dept heads have been charged with writing a workload policy in collaboration with faculty. Each dept will be asked to review and revise their role and scope document to assist incoming faculty with clearly articulated requirements for P&T and workload. The deadline for these revisions is sometime in December 2012. Current faculty will use the role and scope document they were hired under for retention, the document that was in place at the time of retention will be used for tenure, and the current document will be used for promotion to full. The criteria and standards have not changed significantly and have been moved into the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The “promise of excellence” wording is gone, but was used for this year. Currently, the wording “effectiveness” is for all areas for all levels of P&T; the add-on layer for tenure is “accomplishment,” and the add-on layer of “excellence” is for full. Current non-tenure track faculty have a 24 credit workload and that criteria might stay in place. The Provost’s office will provide a template as a guide for the new workload memo and faculty are encouraged to participate.

Course Approval Process - Larsen

Larsen announced that as chair of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, and until the end of this year, the process for getting a new course proposal through the whole system and Helena for common course numbering takes a couple of weeks. The new process for a course being taught in the spring, will now require submitting paperwork at the beginning of the semester.

Ballots for university vacancies nominations/appointments were distributed to Faculty Senate members.

The Faculty Senate meeting ended at 5:00 pm, as there was no further business.

Signature

John Neumeier, Chair-elect

Minutes were transcribed by Gale R. Gough, Administrative Associate, Faculty Senate.