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ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, February 26, 2008
38-114, 3:10–5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

I. Minutes: None.

II. Communications and Announcements: Giberti announced receiving a request to add the Resolution on Faculty Objections to Proposed Project to Implement Engineering Programs in Jubail, Saudi Arabia to the published agenda. M/S/P to adopt the agenda as published.

III. Special Reports:

A. Budget and Long Range Planning Committee: Vuotto reported on the review of the committee's history and ongoing plans for University consultation. The Provost assigned committee members to various strategic planning work groups. The committee will continue to assist the Provost in reviewing the existing budget formulas and report in Spring 2008.

B. Curriculum Committee: Hannings reported on the review of USCP requirements. The committee continues to work on streamlining the course approval process and will report in Spring 2008. Other charges are still ongoing.

C. Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee: Choi reported on the improved outreach process, which resulted in a better-qualified group of finalists. The committee will complete the review of procedural guidelines and report next quarter.

D. Distinguished Teaching Award Committee: Geringer reported that the committee reviewed 120 nominations and agreed, with high consensus, on finalists.

E. Faculty Affairs Committee: Foroohar reported that resolutions on the hiring of MPPs and evaluation of teaching associates have been agendized. The committee has submitted a resolution on the evaluation of deans.

F. Fairness Board: Baltimore reported on the committee's work with the Office of Students Rights and Responsibilities (OSRR) to reassign responsibilities after elimination of the Student Grievance Board. Other charges are still ongoing.

G. Grants Review Committee: Griggs reported on progress made to streamline the online process for grant submittal and review. He also reported on the increase of funding requests for state faculty support grants (37 in 2007, 64 in 2008) and proposals for the student research competition (14 in 2007, 23 in 2008).

H. Instruction Committee: none.

I. Research and Professional Development Committee: Plummer reported on the committee's efforts to implement recommendations made to the Provost in Spring 2007.

J. Sustainability Committee: Lancaster reported on a successful Focus the Nation and sustainability charrette. She will report on the charrette in Spring 2008. Other charges are still ongoing.

IV. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

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