

Faculty Affairs Committee

Minutes

11/27/2007

Present: Laverne Nishihara (Chair) Denise Bullock, Mary Fell, TJ Rivard, Mort Seddighin, Sherry Rankin

[The meeting began at 11:00 a.m.]

Minutes of November 13th approved with changes.

Next semester scheduling: All approved meeting the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 11-12:15 with "yes" or "I think so." Laverne will schedule the room. Mort will be on sabbatical next semester.

Laverne reported on the status of the constitutional revision: Laverne reported that to bring a constitutional amendment for a vote we must provide prior notice. She has composed and will distribute a draft to the committee. She reported that Markus Pomper and Paul Kriese had already read and approved the first part of the message.

Laverne then reviewed the changes that were made to the draft of the amendment from the previous meeting.

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- #4 Moved the word curriculum to # 7. The curriculum committee is responsible for that topic.

TJ asked if it would be good to move the previously stricken sentence to #7. Laverne said that the changes in the constitution were meant to simplify the wording.

- #5 The all-IU constitution included this stricken sentence.
- #6 The new #6 was a suggestion from Cathy Foos with the rationale of separating legislative and consultative authority taken from different parts of the IU and campus constitution.
- Denise Bullock wanted to state that it is important to make sure the definition of administrative officers and academic officers are clearly stated.
- Mary Fell and Denise suggested removing the italics from 2.1 #6 and 2.3 #3 to reduce confusion.

Section 2.2 Category A

Chancellor Nasser Paydar suggested striking out the end sentence. FAC substituted the final sentence.

There were also minor lingo and grammatical changes

Section 2.2 Category B

- Change to “faculty of schools”-suggested by Mary Fell

Section 2.3

- #2 Campus facilities and budgets are now combined.
- #3 deans are not elected or unelected because it decreases their ability to lead
- Discussion about consultative and legislative authority over appointment and review of academic officers.

Motion to send constitution with changes to the faculty to review by November 29

(note that David Frantz was not present for this vote)

Committee members reviewed, revised and voted to accept the proposed message to be sent through email to all faculty members as prior notice of a voting item on amendments to the IUE Constitution.

P & T Guidelines

Laverne invited all FAC members to a meeting on Thursday Nov. 29th at 2:30 pm with Associate Executive Vice President David Malik

- Mary Fell reported that she had a problem with the reviewer criteria listed in #5 of the document.
- TJ Rivard discussed his problem with requiring 6 letters when it is hard enough currently to get four.
- Fell stated that she agrees that the content of the dossier should be changed because it is outdated. It should only fit into one binder and that all reviewers should see the same content.
- Should be consistent with all IU Policy
- If service and teaching are as important as research the dossier will always be larger

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm

Respectfully submitted by Emily Winburn