FACULTY COUNCIL
Minutes, December 8, 2010 Meeting
3:00-5:00 PM – TSC 303/304


1. Meeting was called to order by G. Ramsey @ 3:10pm.

2. Minutes of the November meeting were reviewed; moved to accept with changes. Motion made by W. Jay, seconded by N. Lash. Motion carried.

3. Chair’s Report
   • Communications with faculty: Chair’s monthly newsletter: Due to restrictions on frequency and length of mass faculty emails, the Lakeside provost’s office will send out a general announcement on a monthly basis that state that the Chair’s newsletter has been posted on the Faculty Council website. It was suggested to that the link to the site be embedded in the message to facilitate faculty reading of the newsletter.
   • Response of Paul Whelton to Faculty Council motion regarding salaries of full professors in Basic Sciences program: G. Ramsey reported that Faculty Council has received the response to the motion from P. Whelton and that any followup will include G. Ramsey, J. McNulty, G. Battaglia, and P. Whelton because it is no longer a Faculty Council issue.
   • Update on UPCs: Due to resignation of one member of the FAUPC, G. Ramsey will appoint another faculty member to that UPC. Concern expressed regarding the decreasing trend in the use of the UPCs; Chair will discuss with Provost Pelissero.
   • Status of Retirement Benefit change: G. Ramsey will followup with Fr. Garanzini regarding status of this benefit.
   • Question was raised by H. Rose regarding shared governance role in the change from 128 to 120 credit hours for graduation of undergraduate students. M. Dominiak reported that both the AAUPC and BUS had reviewed and approved the change.

4. FC Evaluation of Deans – N. Lash
   • Faculty Council reviewed and approved the reports of the evaluations of the 3 deans: Dean Seal – Library, Dean Prasse – School of Education, and Dean Yellen – School of Law

5. Faculty Salaries: Basic Science Campus
   • Discussion tabled until January 26, 2011 meeting per the request of J. McNulty and G. Battaglia due to their absence at today’s meeting.
6. Faculty Senate (FS) proposal – P. Schraeder
   - P. Schraeder presented revised FS proposal based on FC membership feedback. He reiterated 4 key elements of the rationale for the proposed Senate:
     i. Faculty and administration at the same table to facilitate communication and decision making
     ii. Faculty can continue to caucus
     iii. Shared governance system not functioning optimally
     iv. The new system restructures the Shared Governance system so that the most important issues are brought to full Faculty Senate
   - It is believed that the FS will improve shared governance at Loyola.
   - Motion made by Alana Fitch to accept the Faculty Senate proposal dated 12/5/10 with minor changes discussed and without the graphic depicting the relationships among all the committees and the Faculty Senate as its use is optimized via discussion/explanation and that the revised document without the graphic representation be forwarded to Fr. Garanzini; seconded by W. Jay. Vote: 20 yeas, 1 nay, 0 abstentions. Motion carried.
   - Finalized proposal will be sent to Fr. Garanzini, J. Pelissero, and P. Whelton by G. Ramsey.
   - Fr. Garanzini plans to bring proposal to his January administrative retreat for discussion and feedback to Faculty Council.
   - Faculty Council next step would be to meet with representatives of administration to finalize the proposal as was done with the Faculty Handbook.
   - Following consensus on the proposal, a sub-committee will be formed by FC, with administrative representation, to develop the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty Senate.
   - FC goal is to have the FS approved by the end of this Academic Year for institution in the 2011-2012 Academic Year.

7. New Business: There was discussion regarding use of electronic voting. Discussion tabled until further notice.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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