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College Council Minutes
September 26, 2008

Meeting called to order by COE Chair @ 10:00 a.m.

I. Recognition of Members and Substitutes:

In Attendance: Chair, Dr. Malcolm Butler, Dr. Kim Stoddard in Dr. Braun’s absence, Dr. Cynthia Leung, Dr. Brie Reck, Dr. Gwyn Senokossoff, Dean Fueyo,

III. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Reck moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Senokossoff seconded the motion.

IV. Approval of minutes from August 29th meeting

Dr. Leung moved to approve the August 29th minutes. Dr. Reck seconded the motion.

V. Action Items

A. College Committees Memberships and Charges

It was brought to the Council’s attention that Dr. Leung is up for re-election on the COE Tenure and Promotion committee. Dr. Reck nominated Dr. Leung for re-election. Dr. Leung also let the Council know that Dr. Heller should be on the COE Tenure and Promotion Committee. In addition, Dr. Dukes will be on sabbatical in the spring and will need to be replaced on the committee. According to Jennifer Baker, Dr. Heller’s terms runs through 2009. Dr. Rose’s term has concluded, and his slot on the University’s T & P Committee needs to be filled by election for a two-year term continuing until 2010.

Drs. Butler and Senokossoff will meet on Monday, research the issues, and put a ballot together for the committee.

In light of the confusion about who should actually be serving on the college committees and the terms of everyone’s service, Dr. Stoddard suggested keeping a chart that shows everyone’s service both in the college and campus wide. Discussion ensued, but no decision was made.

Nominations for the various standing and ad hoc committees were discussed. Dr. Brice was nominated for the vacancies on the Curriculum and Programs Committee and the Annual Review Committee. Drs. Leung and Unal were also nominated to serve on the Annual Review Committee. Dr. Braun was nominated for the School-Community Partnership Committee. Dr. Reck also offered to step down from the School-
Community Partnership Committee in light of her obligations to Faculty Senate and College Council.

A question came up regarding the role of the School-Community Partnership Committee. Dean Fueyo explained how the committee began. It was decided that the By-Laws Committee would review the role of this committee and report back to the Council.

Ms. Linda Burris, a graduate student in Educational Leadership, was nominated to serve on the Student Appeals Committee. There is still a vacancy for an undergraduate student on this committee. A suggestion was made to ask Associate Dean Michael for the name of a student from SEA. Dr. Butler will follow-up with Dr. Michael.

Dr. Leung brought up a question about the roles of the Faculty Professional Awards Committee and the Academic Awards Committee. One of the roles of the Faculty Professional Awards Committee was to seek out awards and recommend faculty for them. One of the roles of the Academic Awards Committee was to seek out awards and recommend students for them. Drs. Butler and Senokosoff will clarify the roles and bring the information back to the Council.

VI. Business Items:

A. Senate Report: Dr. Reck reported from Faculty Senate. (Please see attached.)

In response to a question about the Academic Disruption policy, Dr. Reck said that once these policies were in place system-wide, we would adapt the policies to our campus and our students.

Dr. Noonan shared with the Senate that Academic Advising would be reorganized. Dean Fueyo explained. Dr. Hogengarten will be moving to Student Affairs and will now be supervised by both Academic Affairs and Student Affairs. His division of prospective student outreach will go to Student Affairs, but advising will remain in Academic Affairs.

Dr. Butler asked if there was anything the Council wanted Dr. Reck to take back to the Senate. Dr. Leung asked that the Senate be flexible for the sake of the students in the courses they adopt to meet the General Education Requirements. When requirements change, students often get caught in the middle.

B. Dean’s Report: See attached.

Regarding faculty searches, Dr. Butler suggested that we put a basic announcement on the college web site letting the public know that we would
be conducting searches soon and let them know that more information would follow.

Dean Fueyo also asked that we let her know of any journals, web sites, etc. where announcements could be posted for the searches. She also asked that we contact anyone we think might be good candidate and encourage them to apply. Dr. Leung suggested advertizing in *The Reading Teacher* for the reading search. Dr. Butler suggested advertizing the math search in Science Ed or Math Ed. The Dean also shared a list of journals that we place adds in to attract a diverse pool of candidates.

**C. Other Business:**

A suggestion was made that faculty and staff needs to know when renovations are being done in our building so that people with allergies or other medical issues could be prepared. Dean Fueyo was not notified in advance either.

A suggestion was made that as we look at the Academic Disruption policy that we carefully define academic environment. Is academic environment only limited to the classroom or does it include faculty offices, etc. Also, with the increase in online courses, we need to be aware of how students are disrupting those courses as well. Some students are infecting courses with viruses or e-mailing students outside of academic setting for non-academic purposes. (i.e., advertizing, etc.)

A question was also brought up about academic disruption and Internships. How does the legal council for the university define academic environment? What happens if an intern is disruptive during an internship?

Increased faculty participation in evaluating the CDN was brought up. Dr. Butler suggested that the assessment committee develop some suggestions and bring them back to faculty at the next Faculty Meeting.

**VII. Announcements:**

Faculty Meeting, Friday, November 12, 1-3 p.m. in Coquina 208.

Next Council Meeting, Friday, October 24, 2008.

Dr. Leung made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Reck seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.