

Faculty Assembly Minutes
September 3, 2013

Present:

Albert	Valencia
Berta	Gonzalez
Carol	Fry Bohlin
Chris	Lucey
Diane	Oliver
Elisa	Jamgochian
Fred	Nelson
Jack	Benninga
Janell	Morillo
Jason	Immekus
Jenelle	Pitt
Jim	Marshall
Juan Carlos	Gonzalez
Kem	Magdaleno
Kien	Pham
Kim	Cole
Kyle	Weir
Malik	Raheem
Michael	Giovanetti
Nancy	Akhavan
Sarah	Lam
Shareen	Abramson
Song	Lee
Susan	Schlievert
Susan	Tracz

The meeting was called to order by President Marinn Pierce. The agenda was approved.

Minutes were approved, with corrections of added people who did not sign in. President Pierce advised everyone to be certain to sign the attendance sheet.

President Pierce explained the new committee structure based on Faculty Assembly constitution changes.

Susan Macy and Laura Alamillo were nominated for the Development Committee by the LEBSE Department. This committee works on fund raising. This is the only committee where department representatives are elected by the Faculty Assembly. President Pierce called for nominations from the floor.

Juan Carlos Gonzalez moved to close nominations, Jason Immekus seconded. Motion passed.

President Pierce called for nominations for Faculty Assembly At-Large Member of the Development Committee.

Jim Marshall noted that Sarah Schmidt will be providing training to the committee, and it would be more active in the future.

No nominations were put forward.

Fred Nelson moved to close nominations, Jason Immekus seconded. Motion passed.

Basic Credential and Curriculum Committee--2 positions.

Juan Carlos Gonzalez nominated Kim Cole.

Wally Ullrich nominated Bernie Arenz.

Susan Tracz nominated Wally Ullrich--he declined to serve.

Albert Valencia moved to close nominations, Song Li seconded. Motion passed.

Personnel Committee--1 position.

Must be a tenured Full Professor; cannot be a Department Chair.

Jack Benninga nominated Susan Tracz.

Wally Ullrich nominated Jose Lomeli.

Juan Carlos Gonzalez moved to close nominations, Albert Valencia seconded.

Motion passed.

Scholarship Committee--1 position.

Albert Valencia nominated Song Li.

Jim Marshall described the duties of the Scholarship Committee.

Chris Lucey nominated Malik Rahim.

Song Li withdrew her nomination.

Albert Valencia moved to close nominations, Susan Tracz seconded. Motion passed.

President Pierce discussed the operation of the Equity Committee. She acknowledged that the chair needs to be a tenured faculty member. The Equity Committee is charged with addressing the inconsistency in the constitution regarding hiring.

The Research Committee has three positions to be filled. Applicants need to compose a statement about their research interests and submit to President Pierce for presentation to the Faculty Assembly.

She appealed to the Faculty Assembly to work with the new committee structure this year.

Juan Carlos Gonzalez asked that new faculty be included in Faculty Assembly emails. President Pierce will forward this concern to Inez in the Dean's office.

Dean Paul Beare reported on spring admission. Kremen submitted a request for limited number of new admissions for spring programs. He anticipates the spring admission issue to continue for the foreseeable future.

Teresa Huerta requested that Kremen members of the Faculty Senate advocate for placing the Multilingual Multicultural Graduate Program on the agenda for approval.

Dean Beare discussed the need for coordinators to examine class sizes. The reimbursement for program coordinator positions is insufficient to cover actual cost. These are costs that cannot be earned back. The University Budget Committee has not recognized the need for specialized coordinator positions in the school. The Dean will be appealing to the committee, based on the unique needs of the school. The school budget committee will be meeting Thursday at 1pm.

The school will be taking a field trip to the Linked Learning site at Porterville on Friday, September 6.

On Wednesday, October 2 President Castro will visit Kremen.

Jack Benninga announced a faculty search in Curriculum & Instruction for a Curriculum faculty member with an Instructional Technology emphasis. He also noted the search in Early Childhood for a position that will include Director of the Huggins Center.

Committee Reports

Dandoy proposals will be due mid-October.

The Graduate Committee has changed the writing admission requirement.

Dean Beare is willing to sponsor faculty research presentations.

Albert Valencia recognized Dr. Malik Raheem for serving as program facilitator in the Department of Counselor Education and Rehabilitation.

Michael Giovanetti announced that this is the last year for the Renaissance Group at Fresno State. He solicited submissions to Educational Renaissance, their online peer-reviewed journal.

<http://educationalrenaissance.org/index.php/edren>

Juan Carlos Gonzalez is now an Academic Advisor for a Latino group on campus.

Jim Marshall announced the California Commission on Teaching Credentials is soliciting student members. Contact Jim for application details.

Jack Benninga announced that the Bonner Center is sponsoring a Faculty Learning Community on ethics.

Susan Tracz announced that there is an opening for a student member on the Graduate Committee.

Meeting adjourned.