Unofficial Minutes Untenured Faculty Organization February 2, 2011

Noon - 1:00PM in HML, Haak Boardroom

Attendance: J. Bush, M. Ram, S. LaPorta, A. Mortimer, B. Hyatt, JD. Herring, E. Nusbaum, J. McMillen, L. Herzig, E. Junn

Quorum present.

Notes are from general discussion of those in attendance.

- Lisa Herzig (Food Science & Nutrition) was voted in as a new executive officer. She will be taking up post in one the remaining officer vacancies ACTION Thank you and welcome, Lisa!
- Professional Development conference (Jan 2011)
 - Brad gave a summary of the PD conference (second conference in a series being held by VP Paul Oliaro) in which he submitted a proposal and got some talk time to educate many of the university staff about what the UFO represents—well done and thank you, Brad!
- Melanie proposed having another panel discussion for research. She favors an open forum for late March ACTION - Call went out via Bb.
- J-Daniel proposed an engaged teaching/role playing event for mid-March with the assistance of Greg Thatcher (Public Health
- Sergio proposed a grants-related event for mid-April. ACTION - He will contact Gil Harootunian @ ORSP to help coordinate the specifics.
- Discussion on the survey instrument was brought up. The need to include queries for new faculty orientation were suggested (i.e. opinions of most vs least helpful things during orientations).
 - Possible event needing coordination is the Meet-the-new-Janette → an introduction and Q & A with new VP Academic Personnel, Dr. Ted Wendt ACTION Any volunteers?
- John brought discussion about possible good teaching guest visits → a list of faculty on campus renowned as 'good teachers' (Teaching awardees, etc) and times to attend some of their lectures. This could be posted on our website.

 ACTION Need someone to start requesting participation and building list.
- DOG Days committee contacted Jason about a proposed 'Family weekend' scheduled for Sept 16-18 in which parents and guests will 'sit in' on participating classes.

 ACTION General agreement in involving the UFO, more to come...
- Next meeting will be held on **Wed**, **Feb 23**, **2011** at noon in the Haak Boardroom.