Franklin College Faculty Senate

Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 304 of Forestry Building 1, Shelby Funk presiding.

Members Present: Christine Albright, Budak Arpinar, Analisa Arroyo, Maor Bar-Peled, Mary Bedell, Renato Castelao, Trina Cyterski, Shanta Dhar, Inge DiBella, Fred Dolezal, Diana Downs, Christopher Eaket, Shelby Funk, Lisa Fusillo, Richard Gordon, Jim Lauderdale, Derrick Lemons, Reid Messich, Nicholas Morrissey, Dan Nakano, Virginia Nazarea, Robert Phillips, Michael Roden, Chloe Wigston Smith, Inseok Song, T.N. Sriram, Jon Swindler, Karim Traore, Sarah Wright, and Angela Yao.

Proxies: Jack Reeves (proxy for Kim Gilbert), Elgene Box (proxy for Lan Mu), Leslie Gordon Simons (proxy for Jeremy Reynolds), Bill Lanzilotta (proxy for Zachary Wood).

Members not present: Josh Bynum, Husseina Dinani, Kim Gilbert, Adam Goodie, Uwe Happek, Chad Howe, Natarajan Kannan, Lan Mu, Jeremy Reynolds, Daniel Rood, Mitch Rothstein, and Zachary Wood.

Approval of the minutes of the 17 March 2015 meeting: Approved without corrections.

President Shelby Funk's Remarks

- President Funk reported that her service as President has been a pleasure.

Dean Dorsey's Remarks

- Dean Dorsey thanked President Funk for her service to the Senate.
- Dean Dorsey reported that there will be raises for faculty/staff for FY 16.
- Dean Dorsey encouraged faculty to apply for the CTL Learning Technologies Grants.
- Dean Dorsey reported that there will be another round of the Franklin International Faculty Exchange, which is the only formal faculty exchange program at UGA. The deadline is in October for this program.
- Dean Dorsey reminded everyone about the upcoming UGA and Franklin College Staff Appreciation Day events.
- Dean Dorsey reported that the Experiential Learning proposal will be before the University Council tomorrow and that, if it passes, the implementation process will take place next year.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Standards Committee: Received 6 petitions, approved 2, denied 4.
- Curriculum Committee: Approved 14 new courses, approved 10 course changes
- Executive Committee: Lisa Fusillo and Adam Goodie were presented to the Senate as President Elect and Secretary, respectively, for AY16.

The following Committee Chairs were presented for AY 16:

Academic Standards Committee: Kim Gilbert (Statistics)
Curriculum Committee: Mary Bedell (Genetics)
Executive Committee: Inseok Song (Physics)
Faculty Affairs Committee: Mitch Rothstein (Mathematics)

The following nominees for the College Awards Committee were presented for AY16:

Fine Arts: Julie Spivey (Lamar Dodd School of Art)
Humanities: Elizabeth Wright (Romance Languages)
Life Sciences: Mary Bedell (Genetics)
Physical & Mathematical Sciences: Steven Lewis (Physics & Astronomy)
Social and Behavioral Sciences: John Knox (Geography)

(The position of Chair for the Planning & Evaluation Committee was open at this time, and a slate of committee members will be presented and approved at the August meeting.)

The vote was unanimous to approve this slate of Officers/Chairs.

- Committee on Faculty Affairs: No new business reported.
- Committee on Planning & Evaluation: No new business to report but Fred Dolezal will present information later in the meeting.

New Business:

Keith Bailey of the Office of Online Learning offered a Power Point Presentation and answered questions about online education at UGA.

The vote to approve the Certificate in Sustainability was postponed.

Fred Dolezal presented findings from a survey about the status of lecturers at UGA and answered questions from Senators. Chris Plaue and Melissa Kozak also presented information about the status of lecturers at UGA.

Old Business:

- No Old Business was discussed

Meeting was adjourned at 4:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Albright
Franklin College Senate Secretary and Senator for Classics