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Library Faculty Council Meeting Minutes

2 March 2010, 2:00 p.m., Room 218, Poynter Library

Librarians Present: Deborah Henry, Tina Neville, Jerry Notaro, Patricia Pettijohn, Kaya Van Beynen, Jim Schnur

Regrets: None

Guests: None

Meeting: Called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Deb

Minutes: Minutes of February 2 meeting approved on 1st by Tina and 2nd by Deb. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Announcements

Jerry will be a United Faculty of Florida representative at the national NEA/AFT conference in San Jose, California, on March 26-28.

Old Business

Status of Library Faculty Position Search: The two remaining candidates will visit on March 3 and March 8.

Review of Library Faculty Promotion Guidelines: We should share our thoughts by email and track changes as we move forward.

LFC Constitution/Bylaws: Jerry and Tina are drafting this document.

Student Behavior: Continued discussions of process to handle referrals to Student Affairs for actions that may be disruptive in the library.

Annual Review Committee: Jim will serve as chair, with Patricia as committee member and another faculty librarian to be selected by Carol from the Tampa Library.

New Business:

Atomic Learning Demonstration: We watched a demonstration of the "Atomic Learning" web portal that offered tutorials for an array of applications software titles. This source will be helpful when students have specific questions about software at times when the Computer Lab in Bayboro Hall is closed.

Reports

Budget Council: Nothing new to report.

Enrollment Management: Jerry described the meeting that took place on March 1: John Vassel, campus recruiter, discussed a major challenge in recruiting prospective students: Many in Pinellas County still think of the Tampa campus when they hear the name "USF." Transfer students have increased. Narciso Hidalgo, a USFSP professor of Spanish and member of the committee, has offered his services to assist with translating for prospects who may be more comfortable having their admissions appointments in Spanish.

Faculty Senate: Patricia stated that there is now an ad hoc committee to assess administrators. As such, this plan would NOT be an official assessment by the university, but instead something developed by the Faculty Senate. We need a library faculty member to serve on this committee. Kaya expressed her interest in serving. John Husfield said that Noreen has asked if Patricia could serve on a web committee with John (not the committee under Jeff's purview).

Faculty Technology Committee: No report.

General Education Committee: Tina reminded everyone that Assessment Day is March 19, with morning sessions devoted to general education and afternoon meetings focusing on academic learning compacts (ALCs).

Graduate Council: Jim said that the Graduate Council held two separate meetings in February. On the 18th, the Council heard and extended its support for a request by Ray Arsenault to allow for a non-thesis option in Florida Studies that would be effective immediately. This will help with retention of those students who complete course work but postpone their degree because of the inability to write the thesis around work schedules and other commitments. On the 25th, the Grad Council heard and extended its support for the concept of an interdisciplinary track in the Master of Liberal Arts (in addition to the one in Florida Studies) as a way of offering broader options for students interesting in graduate programs.

Research Council: Research Month is in April. Possible small research stipends ~~may be available~~ are under consideration.

Undergraduate Council: College of Business is looking into a possible major/minor in entrepreneurship.

QEP Committee: Tina stated that they are writing proposals, but there is nothing new to report.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Schnur
Council Scribe