

FAC

October 1, 2014

APPROVED MINUTES

Present: James Ahiakpor, Linda Dobb, David Fencsik, Liz Ginno, Linda Ivey, Nidhi Mahendra, Michael Moon, James Murray, Linda Smetana

Absent: Helen Zong

Guests: Endre Branstad, Sophie Rollins

0. Election of Secretaries for 2014–15

Fencsik in Fall, Murray in Winter, and Smetana in Spring. Approved by acclamation.

1. Motion to approve agenda

M/S/P Ahiakpor/Smetana 9/0/0

2. Report of the Chair

The University A2E2 Committee needs members from CBE and CSCI. Digital dossiers will be formally piloted on Blackboard by the Economics department this year, as well as informally by some other departments. There will be a report following the pilot. Dobb added that future use of digital dossiers will depend on the outcome of the pilot, and that faculty who wish to try it should consult with their chair first. Finally, Robert Phelps, Concord Campus Director, has requested faculty support grants for the Concord Campus. These could either be funded by the Provost's office, or with Concord Campus' discretionary funds.

3. Report of the Presidential appointee:

N/A

4. New Business:

- a. Officially adopt updated FAC Policies and Procedures (13-14 FAC 13)
M/S/P Ivey/Smetana 8/0/1
- b. 13-14 FAC 14: Request for Reconsideration of Academic Senate Resolution 12-13 FAC 13, amended, Suggested Changes to the Policies and Procedures Governing Faculty Participation in Appointment and Review of Administrative Officers of CSUEB. A response has been prepared to the President's veto. The committee noted that this text was incomplete, and that there was inconsistent terminology in the document. It will be fixed and reconsidered at the next meeting.
- c. 13-14 FAC 16: Recommendation on the Revised Student Evaluations Form. The form needs to be updated with changes that were requested previously before the committee can vote.
- d. 14-15 FAC X: Proposed amendment to add the Provost to the process of the University RTP Procedures. Committee members noticed some mistakes in the

timeline. These will be corrected and considered at the next meeting. Committee members agreed to review the document carefully for the next meeting.

5. Discussion Items:

- a. Referral from Committee on Research regarding faculty compensation for special registration courses. The committee suggested other “special registration” courses, such as honors projects and internships. Suggested that the matter should be considered by chairs councils. Liz agreed to talk with the CR chair and report back.
- b. Lecturer involvement in Department Chair Review. The committee discussed the history of this matter and the need for a policy. A policy does not appear to be necessary, and could be difficult given the different roles and involvement of lecturers across different colleges and departments. Dobb suggested that we should consider any policy carefully before acting.
- c. Consensual Relationship policy. CSUEB has a policy on consensual relationships between supervisors and supervisees, especially instructors and students. However, it is difficult to determine when it was created or who approved it. Dobb suggested it was important to create an updated one and get it approved by FAC and the Senate, especially in light of the current national attention on sexual assaults on college campuses. Committee members agreed to review the campus policy as well as those from other CSUs and be ready for writing/amending the policy at the next meeting.

6. Adjournment

Moved by Murray.