

FAC
November 5, 2014
AMENDED MINUTES

Members Present: James Ahiakpor, Linda Dobb, David Fencsik, Liz Ginno, Linda Ivey, Nidhi Mahendra, Michael Moon, James Murray, Linda Smetana, Helen Zong
Guests: Sophie Rollins

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P Smetana/Mahendra 9/0/0

2. Approval of 10/15/14 Minutes

Ahiakpor requested that the discussion of the scale of SET responses account for the fact that we used to rate with 5 being best; around 2001 we switched to 1 being best, so we are now returning to tradition.

M/S/P Fencsik/Smetana 9/0/0

3. Reports

- a. Chair's Report. ExCom approved an amended version of the proposed change to FAC procedures, with two changes: quorum will be 2/3 of voting members, except the presidential appointee, and small changes to the membership of the SET subcommittee. The SET subcommittee needs to establish a meeting time, needs no more members. The RTP subcommittee needed 4 members, but then Smetana volunteered, so now it needs 3. The Outstanding Professor/Awards subcommittee needs 2 more members. The Lecturer subcommittee needs a FAC member.

4. Old Business:

- a. 13-14 FAC 16: Recommendation on the Revised Student Evaluations Form. Corrections and changes have been made to the form. The letter needs to be revised to make it consistent with the updated form, especially the Layout of the form section at the bottom of page 1. Dobb suggested that the questions will likely have to be reordered for technical reasons. The committee discussed that some programs may wish to have more than 3 PLO-related questions; Dobb will check with Donna Wiley to find out how much flexibility the system has for adding arbitrary numbers of questions. Mahendra proposed less definitive language on the use of SETs for program improvement. Other small changes were suggested.

M/S/P Murray/Fencsik 10/0/0

5. Discussion Items:

- a. Consensual Relationship Policy. The proposed language was discussed. Questions arose about the kinds of penalties that can be imposed. The committee discussed whether FAC is the appropriate body to create this policy, given that it must conform to various laws and court decisions. **Action Item:** Ask Nyassa Love, the

campus Title IX coordinator, to provide the committee with advice and language for a consensual relationship policy.

M/S/P Ginno/Murray 10/0/0

- b. Referral from Committee on Research regarding faculty compensation for special registration courses. The committee discussed creating a new policy, discouraging faculty from checking the 4th box under Instructor's Workload Status on Special Registration Petition forms, or bringing the issue up with chairs and deans. Murray drafted a resolution proposing that departments develop a way of translating independent study, advising, and mentorship into WTUs. **Action Item:** Committee members should review Murray's proposed resolution.

6. Adjournment

Moved by Ahiakpor