1. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P to approve as is

2. Approval of the minutes of April 5, 2006

M/S/P to approve.

3. Report of the Chair

The committee’s recommendation for the Sue Schaefer award was passed on to the Senate Chair.
The committee’s yes vote on proportional representation for the University P&T committee was passed on to the Senate Chair.
The committee has received a new charge from the Senate Chair to examine the professional leave committees and consider altering the timeline and structure of the committee including having separate committees in each school.

4. Report of the Presidential Appointee

The Deans think the proposal to decentralize decision making with respect to sabbatical leaves is interesting. He recommended the committee address three issues including; the number to be awarded to each College; how committees would be formed; and how funding would be allocated.

5. Old Business

a. Student evaluation of on-line courses

Carl Bellone was present to discuss the student evaluation of on-line courses. Apparently the University feels such evaluations are too expensive. The committee reviewed the questions being used to evaluate the on-campus courses and decided the questions were also suitable for on-line courses.

b. Range elevations
The committee considered alternative wording to the general criteria for consideration of range elevations. The new criteria distinguish between individuals whose primary responsibility is teaching from those whose primary responsibility is administrative. It was M/S/P to approve the new general criteria.

The committee then moved to a discussion on the calculation of years of service to be used in assessing eligibility for a range elevation. The CBA permits the University to make its own definition with respect to years of service. The committee did not provide a recommendation on this issue.

The committee then moved to a discussion of the criteria for moving from one range to another. Currently, the criteria for range C and D are identical. The committee considered altering the criteria for elevation to range D to include the teaching of senior level and/or graduate courses. A motion was made and seconded to change the wording and it was defeated. A second motion was made to alter the criteria for elevation to range D to include the teaching of upper division and/or graduate level courses. It was M/S/P to include teaching of upper division and/or graduate level courses as criteria for elevation to range D.

c. Policy regarding faculty offices

The committee considered and discussed the comments made by the Deans (Reimonenq, Leung, Towner) and the University Librarian (Kwon) concerning the draft policy regarding faculty office space. It was M/S/P to approve the document as is.

d. The use of “school” as an organizational unit

Given the committee’s questions about the use of “school” as an organizational unit and possible accreditation issues it was suggested that representatives from Nursing and Social Work speak to FAC in the future. The committee then decided to table further action on the issue pending further instructions from the Senate Chair.

6. New Business


Gale Young was present to discuss the WASC report. Dr. Young agreed to forward the progress report to FAC. The committee agreed to review the sections of the second progress report dealing with faculty issues.

b. Professional Leave Committee

After a brief discussion the committee took no action on the issue and will await comments from the Deans and the University Librarian.

7. Adjournment

M/S/P to adjourn (4:29 pm)

Respectfully Submitted, Lynn Paringer, Rita Liberti