Minutes
University of Michigan-Flint Faculty Council
February 5, 2014


The minutes of 1/22/2014 were approved with one amendment.

**Governing Faculty Meeting on February 14, 2014:** Faculty Council set the agenda for the University’s Governing Faculty meeting on February 14, 2014. K. Schilling will find out the number of faculty present required for a quorum. Faculty Council discussed how the SON proposal would be introduced for a vote. Also discussed was which documents would be attached to the agenda sent to all Governing faculty members. K. Schilling explained that the three reports (from Graduate Programs Committee, AAAC, and CAC) concerning the SON proposal were written from the unique perspective of each respective committee. Therefore, the chairs of each committee preferred that their individual documents stand and not be coalesced into one.

Attachments to be circulated to the Governing Faculty, with the agenda, are: a document introducing the proposal, the SON proposal, committee reviews (Graduate Programs Committee, AAAC, and CAC), and the CSE proposal. Also, the Governing Faculty will be made aware of documents available to them in Blackboard. It was noted that the minutes from the open forum meetings re the SON proposal should be posted in Blackboard.

K. Schilling reported communicating to S. Turner re the CSE proposal and indicating the unlikelihood of a University’s Governing Faculty vote in March on the CSE proposal. The CSE proposal needs to follow same procedures as the SON proposal.

Governing Faculty agenda for February 14, 2014: Discuss and vote on SON proposal, Code amendment, General Education Committee, and discussion of the CSE proposal.

**Faculty Evaluation of Administrators:** B. Bix will construct a draft questionnaire, based on previous evaluation surveys of associate provosts, for Associate Provost Christine Waters and will bring to Faculty Council for comments/adjustments by mid-March. Interim CAS Dean Albert Price agreed to an evaluation; no response yet received from SOM Dean Scott Johnson re evaluation. Administrators scheduled for evaluation will have the opportunity to read the evaluation survey prior to distribution to respective faculty. The questionnaire is sent from the Provost’s office.

**CSE Proposal:** Faculty Council will circulate the proposal and devote 10 minutes of the February 14th Governing Faculty meeting to discussion of the proposal. Faculty Council invites a formal response from CAS, and therefore recommends to CAS Interim Dean Albert Price that CAS prepare a formal response from the CAS faculty to this proposal.
Faculty Council decided to wait until after February 14 before sending on the proposal to other committees. Ken will communicate after February 14 to the other committees (Graduate Programs, AAAC, and CAC) that Faculty Council has invited a response from CAS faculty. Perhaps it will be possible to receive the committees’ responses by the end of April.

Faculty Council began a discussion about the possibility of open forums for the new CSE proposal, then deferred discussion to a future meeting.

**CESF Report:** Jie Song, chair of the CESF committee, indicated to K. Schilling that a CESF report is forthcoming in March. He is in class at the time that Faculty Council meets and will not be able to present it personally to Faculty Council. CESF reports have become internal documents for the University. K. Schilling offered questions for the Faculty Council to consider: What should be done with the report once it is presented to the Faculty Council? Does Faculty Council recommend a presentation to the University’s Governing Faculty or should a forum be organized for the purpose of discussing the report?

The next Faculty Council meeting will be held on February 19, 11:00-12:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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