Minutes
University of Michigan-Flint Faculty Council
March 19, 2014

Guest:  Associate Provost Christine Waters

Meeting called to order at 11:02am.

The minutes of 2/19/2014 were approved.

The minutes of 2/26/2014 were approved.

**LEAP (Liberal Education and America’s Promise) Presentation.** Associate Provost C. Waters presented the history, goals, and benefits of LEAP. LEAP provides advocacy for liberal education. 10 states are LEAP states. Michigan does not have a state system, so not as many unifying elements as in states with state systems; however, that does not prevent Michigan from becoming a LEAP state. A Resolution for inclusion in LEAP was presented. Thus far, the resolution has been endorsed by WMU and GVSU. Michigan Tech endorses the idea, without resolution. FC agreed that LEAP initiative should be presented to Governing Faculty. C. Waters will send documents to V. Prygoski for circulation to Governing Faculty.

**Report from AAAC.** T. Wrobel presented the report from AAAC. At the last AAAC meeting, the Provost had no report to give. C. Waters, J. Davidson, and L. Cruppenink presented information about the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). Transfer students who have met MTA requirements, as certified by a Michigan community college, have 30 transfer credits applied as a portion of UM-Flint’s core General Education curriculum requirements. UM-Flint can determine which courses it accepts as equivalents in the General Education curriculum and which it does not. However, a suggested MTA/UM-Flint transfer General Education document re courses, drafted by C. Waters, was presented to AAAC. FC members raised concerns about the MTA/UM-Flint draft document. FC will forward the document to the General Education Curriculum Advisory Committee and request feedback. Implementation of MTA is Fall 2014.

The AAAC reviewed the academic calendar for 2015-2016, which includes an August 31, 2015 starting date for classes. Also scheduled is a two-day mid-Fall semester break (Monday and Tuesday). T. Wrobel proposed the latter to AAAC and it was accepted for implementation in 2015-2016.

Interim Dean Albert Price will present the CAS response to the CSE proposal at the next AAAC meeting.
**Report from CAC/BSP.** C. Pearson presented the CAC/BSP report. A special meeting of the CAC/BSP was called on February 28, 2014 for presentation of a revised budget for the CSE proposal.

FC would like to receive CAC/BSP, Graduate Committee Programs, and AAAC reports on the CSE proposal by April 11, if possible. V. Prygoski will communicate this to each committee chair.

FC discussed a proposal, drafted by B. Bix, re the Governing Faculty voting process. The proposal will be brought to the Governing Faculty for discussion at the April 11, 2014 meeting.

The agenda for the April 11, 2014 Governing Faculty meeting includes: 1) the Governing Faculty voting process, 2) the Michigan Transfer Agreement, and 3) the LEAP initiative.

FC will meet again before April 9. FC will meet on April 16, 11:00-12:30pm, instead of April 23.

The last two agenda items were tabled until the next FC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Alexander