

Professional Responsibilities and Procedures Committee

Agenda for October 8, 2007

Attending: Scott Cannon, John Engler, Susan Turner, Paul Wheeler, Renee Galliher, Brett Shelton, David Paper, Britt Fagerheim

Old Business

- I. Minutes of September 17, 2007 meeting: comments, changes, and approval. See attachment "PRPC minutes 9-17-07"

Moved, seconded, and accepted as stand.

- II. Election of Vice Chair. See attachment "Election of Vice Chair."

Moved, seconded, and accepted that the Vice-Chair not be considered Chair-Elect. The election of next year's chair will be considered in the spring. Scott Cannon was elected as the Vice-Chair.

- III. Representation of Extension and RCDE on Faculty Senate 402.10.1 and 402.12.1(2)(3): Dallas Holmes and Scott Cannon drafted code changes for the committee's review. Our initial charge was to draft code changes to 402.10.1 and 402.12.1(2)(3), adding Regional Campuses and Distance Education and changing Extension to Cooperative Extension. However, due to the potential implication of this change, we are reviewing all 400 and 202 to identify necessary changes. See attachment "RCDE Faculty Senate edited 10-07."

Moved, seconded, and approved to be returned to the Faculty Senate.

The following issues are recommended for forwarding to the Senate for consideration during debate:

- a) Under this new code, RCDE faculty will have double representation in the Senate; both as Distance Education faculty and as faculty with appointments in on-campus depts.
- b) RCDE faculty will be at a significant disadvantage with respect to tenure and promotion. RCDE faculty will be considered for promotions against on-campus college and provost standards. Some colleges have discouraged or deny role statements with primary teaching responsibilities. Tenure and promotion committees will consider RCDE faculty against the same standards as on-campus faculty, although they may have fewer facilities and colleagues with which to conduct non-teaching role-statement responsibilities.
- c) RCDE faculty will be expected to participate in faculty governance while travel re-imbursement or other considerations are not addressed.

- IV. Reasons for Non-Renewal 407.7.2: PRPC has been charged to clear up the language of 407.7.2, specifying in the code that the Department Head is to take into consideration the most current and all previous reports from the Tenure/Promotion committee when making a decision regarding non-renewal. For the current code, see attachment “407.7.2 Non-renewal.”

Moved, seconded, and approved to be returned to the Faculty Senate.