

Professional Responsibilities and Procedures Committee
Minutes for September 17, 2007

Present: Scott Cannon, Dave Paper, Dallas Holmes, Robert Schmidt, Renee Galliher, Britt Fagerheim, Brett Shelton, Paul Wheeler

Old Business

- I. Minutes of April 9, 2007 meeting. Scott Cannon motioned to accept the minutes and Dallas Holmes seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- II. Representation of Extension and RCDE on Faculty Senate. PRPC was charged to review code 402.10.1 and 402.12.1(2)(3), related to representation of the newly formed entity Regional Campuses and Distance Education on Faculty Senate. Since this change affects potentially many areas of the code, Scott Cannon and Dallas Holmes will make draft revisions to any necessary areas of 400 and 202 code and we will review these changes at the October meeting.
- III. Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility 403.1 and 403.3.1. PRPC was charged to review code 403.1 and 403.3.1 because these code changes were not discussed during the May 2006 Faculty Senate meeting and were not brought back to Faculty Senate in 2006-07. However, code 403.1 and 403.3.1 were discussed at the meeting and passed, according to the meeting minutes in the Faculty Senate archives. The revised code is reflected in the official code on the HR website.

New Business

- I. Reasons for NonRenewal 407.7.2. PRPC was charged to “look at 407.2 dealing with language that vests complete control with the department head in the absence of a promotion committee to coincide with the policy for the tenure process.” PRPC members discussed this matter, and request clarification on the charge. It is the view of PRPC members that this is a very significant change to current procedures, and we would like more guidance on the specific intentions of the Faculty Senate.

Scott Cannon made a motion to request clarification from the Faculty Senate as to their purpose with this charge. Robert Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- II. Ad-hoc committee to review code. PRPC supports the proposal of FSEC to appoint an ad-hoc committee to review the code in its entirety. We recognize the purpose and need of this committee, provided that any proposed changes are sent to PRPC for review, as per PRPC’s charge. PRPC recommends that this committee review all sections of the code, not just 202 and 400, since inconsistencies or changes in one area of the code can impact other areas.
- III. Faculty Senate Supernumerary 402.3.1. PRPC was charged to add the reference “See also policy 402.7.4” to the end of this code section as a reminder. Scott

Cannon motioned to forward this code change to the Faculty Senate and Dallas Holmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- IV. Senate Standing Committees 402.12.1(2)(b). PRPC was charged to change the wording from 'Vice President' to 'President-Elect' for consistency. Scott Cannon motioned to forward this code change to the Faculty Senate and Dallas Holmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- V. PRPC Vice Chair. Britt brought up an additional item under new business, to elect a committee Vice Chair. The committee decided that a Vice-Chair was unnecessary.

Also, members of PRPC discussed options for administrative support at PRPC meetings, specifically someone to take notes. Britt will investigate whether Andi McCabe is available, and if not, Scott Cannon will investigate options for administrative support from the Computer Science department.