Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting for December 13

Attendance:

Guests: Jeff Johnson, Ronda Callister, Francine Johnson, Joyce Kinkead, Christine Hult, Kim Marshall, Les Essig, AJ Rounds

Excused: Kermit Hall (1157) Stan Albrecht (1167)

Minutes
John Kras moved to approve the minutes of November 15, 2004. The motion, seconded by Rob Morrison, passed.

Announcements
Janis Boettinger suggested inviting Provost Albrecht to the brown bag luncheon with the Faculty Executive Committee when President Hall is not available.

Janis Boettinger will work with Kent Clark in sending out the letter to faculty challenging them to donate to the Faculty Library Endowment. Rob Morrison moved that the Faculty Library Endowment be placed as an information item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by David Luthy, passed.

Information Items for Consent Agenda
Council on Teacher Education - Francine Johnson presented the Council on Teacher Education report. Dale Blahna moved to place the report on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Derek Mason, passed.

EPC Business - There were no action items from EPC. It has been recommended that the DEED committee be dissolved. If there are any concerns with this removal, please forward them to Janis Boettinger. Brent Miller moved to place the EPC business on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Stephen Bialkowski, passed.

Research Council – Brent Miller presented the Research Council Report. It is in the same format as last year. The Research Council is an advisory council to the Vice President for Research. There has been substantial positive progress. David Luthy moved that the Research Report be placed on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Bruce Miller, passed.

Scholarship Advisory Board – Joyce Kinkead presented the Scholarship Advisory Board report. There is very little scholarship money. We primarily have tuition waivers, legislated by the state, but not necessarily funded by the state. Stephen Bialkowski moved to place the Scholarship Advisory Board report on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by David Luthy, passed.

Key Issues & Action Items
PRPC Business – Christine Hult presented the Ombudsperson on Tenure and Promotion Committees proposal. There are 5 colleges using ombudsperson in the tenure and promotion process. Christine mentioned that in the College of HASS, having an independent observer prevents significant due process problems. It was suggested that there be a standardized training across colleges and that the Provost Office be involved with this mechanism. Derek Mason moved to reconsider the proposal at the next FSEC meeting. The motion, seconded by Kevin Doyle, passed.

Ronda Callister presented the Establishment of Promotion Advisory Committee 3 Years After Tenure proposal. There is concern that after faculty reaches tenure, there is no guidance in being promoted to full professor. This proposal is a modest code change that requests the appointment of and meeting with a promotion advisory committee 3 years after tenure. There were questions about the reporting line and concerns about the additional work load on full professors. Stephen Bialkowski moved to place the proposal with the reporting line included as an action item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The
motion, seconded by David Luthy, passed.

Jeff Johnson presented the proposed changes to policy 7.2 (Additional Events during the Year in which a Tenure Decision is to be Made) sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 (see proposal changes). Stephen Bialkowski moved to place language as written as an action item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by Shawn Olsen, passed.

Jeff Johnson presented the proposed changes to policy 8.3 (Procedures for Promotion) section 4. This is for consistency with Tenure and Promotion processes. David Luthy moved to place the proposed changes to policy 8.3 as an action item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by John Kras, passed.

Jeff Johnson presented the proposed language in policy 360.1 (Special Development Leave) to include lecturers. Bruce Miller moved to place the proposed language as an action item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by John Kras, passed.

Janis Boettinger will be sending the proposed policy allowing Faculty Senate Executive Committee members to designate alternatives to attend committee meetings to PRPC for review.

ASUSU – Les Essig presented a proposed 4-day class schedule. The goals for accomplishing this would be fuel and power saving, flexible work schedule, job opportunities, and career fairs. The proposed class schedule would be a Monday-Thursday class scheduled, 75-80 minutes, twice a week. Current energy costs are estimates at $20,000/day = $120,00/week. The students were encouraged to solicit more feedback and refine the proposal. Stephen Bialkowski moved to place the proposed 4-day class schedule as an information item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by Bruce Miller, was withdrawn. Stephen Bialkowski moved to place the 4-day class schedule as an information item on the February Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by Kevin Doyle, passed.

Data Network Security – Kim Marshall briefly talked about the history of the Data Network Security fee. This fee was passed by the Executive committee last year and was enforced July 2004. This fee will hopefully make people aware of the problem. Dale Blahna moved that Stephen Bialkowski meet with Kim Marshall and Kay Jeppesen. The motion, seconded by Janis Boettinger passed. David Luthy moved that the Data Network Security Fee be placed as an information item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by Kevin Doyle passed.

FSEC Meeting Format and Content Concerns – It was suggested that the consent agenda report presentation be minimized to 5 minutes and that a one-page summary with key points be available to the FSEC. Dale Blahna moved that FSEC requests one-page executive summary for all of its reports. The motion, seconded by Gilberto Urroz passed.

Resolution ECR 05-04 – AJ Rounds presented the ECR 05-04 resolution proposing that all departments, colleges and extension sites post, both physically and electronically, all scholarships, grants, and waivers, in a generalized, centralized and highly visible location. This would help disseminate information to students. Kevin Doyle moved that ECR 05-04 resolution be placed as an information item on the next Faculty Senate agenda. The motion, seconded by Gilberto Urroz passed.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.