

Faculty Council
Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2007

Present: Julio de Paula, Dean of the College; Jane Hunter, Associate Dean; Cliff Bekar, Associate Professor of Economics; Dinah Dodds, Professor of German; Deborah Heath, Associate Professor of Anthropology; Elizabeth Safran, Associate Professor of Geological Sciences; Mervyn Brockett, Assistant to the President; and Terri Banasek, Executive Assistant and recorder.

Announcements:

- The Board of Trustees approved the budget for 2007-08.

Agenda Items:

1. Associate Dean Hunter distributed a revised draft of review policies for visitors and adjuncts as well a Good Practices for Mentoring Visitors or Adjuncts. She has not had any feedback from the previous draft. She will send a final reminder to chairs to send comments. For the Good Practices, Dr. Hunter asked the Faculty Council for feedback before forwarding it to the chairs. It was noted that the review policy needs to be in place before renewal contracts are issued. Also, people need to be reassured that contracts can be renewed up to six years.
2. Faculty Council began its review of application for Faculty-Student Summer Research Grants. The applications will be reviewed first and foremost for intellectual merit as well as for quality of work, and benefit to the student and to the faculty member as a result of the collaboration. If there is a previous award, Faculty Council needs to see the project report to ensure that funds are being used appropriately and to get a sense of how that faculty member is involving students.
3. Faculty Council continued its discussion of position requests.
4. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 8, 3:30 p.m.