Minutes
Faculty Assembly, School of Liberal Arts
2:00-4:00 p.m., Friday April 18, 2014 LE 105


1. Meeting was gavelled to order at 2:01 p.m. by President Enrica J. Ardemagni

2. The Minutes of the FA meeting of March 7, 2014 were approved by acclamation

3. President Ardemagni’s General Remarks:

President Ardemagni reminded members of the following upcoming events:

1. Celebration of Scholarship May 2, CE 450, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
2. Graduating Seniors Reception May 9, Indianapolis Arts Garden, 6:00-7:30
3. Commencement: May 11, 3:00 p.m. Convention Center
4. Lavender Graduation (LGBTQ), May 2, IU Advancement Center, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

President Ardemagni reserved her further comments for the close of the meeting.

4. Dean’s Remarks:

- Dean Blomquist called for a round of appreciation and congratulations for Paul Carlin, who is retiring in May;
- Dean Blomquist thanked all who have served as nominators and/or recommenders for IUPUI Top 100, and noted that Mariana Lopez Owens, a SLA student, was named the Outstanding Female Student;
- Dean Blomquist noted that the IUPUI mentoring initiative is an effort to improve and systematize practice of mentoring junior and midcareer faculty; Schools are to develop plans for such programs; anyone interested in participating in the development of the SLA policy should contact Dean Thom Upton, who will be leading process.
5. Old Business: There was no old business to be discussed.

6. New Business:
   ▶ Approval of list of 2014 graduates:
     
     **MOTION from the Liberal Arts Office of Student Affairs (Gina Sánchez Gibau):**
     "We move that the list of 2014 graduates be approved by the School of Liberal Arts faculty."

     Moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by acclamation.

   ▶ Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards Committee (Paul Carlin):
     1. Proposed Change in French Minor (document posted):

     No questions or discussion; approved by acclamation unanimously

     2. WLAC dual-degree Program Changes (documents posted)

     No questions, discussion; approved unanimously by acclamation

     3. Proposal for Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards Committee to review and approve SLA courses for the IUPUI Gen. Ed. Core Curriculum Committee:

     “The Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards Committee, as a matter of faculty governance, moves that the School of Liberal Arts Faculty Council charge the UCSC with being the body to approve courses being submitted by the School of Liberal Arts for inclusion in IUPUI's Common Core. The UCSC will draw up guidelines for course submission as well as indicate an appeals process if it is decided not to put forward a course.”

     No questions or discussion; approved unanimously by acclamation

   ▶ SLA Honors Program (document posted) (Tom Davis):

     No questions, discussion; approved unanimously by acclamation

   ▶ Graduate Curriculum Committee (Carrie Foote): Graduate Certificate in Translation Studies (document posted) approved unanimously by acclamation

   ▶ Faculty Affairs Committee

     1. Promotion Policy and Procedures for Associate Faculty (document posted):

     Approved unanimously by acclamation
2. Minor edit of Policy on Clinical Faculty Appointments (document posted):

After brief question and discussion, the proposal passed unanimously by acclamation

➢ IFC Report (Craig, Kostroun)

1. The last meeting of the IFC was Tuesday, April 15. Chancellor Banz reported that the Indy 11 professional soccer match drew 11,000 fans; IUPUI has a 2 yr contract with Indy 11;
2. Availability of E-Texts and their advantages was explained in a presentation; E-Texts are billed directly to students bursur's account and can be printed out on demand; in general E-Texts are much more affordable than print text books; students should access E-Texts through IUPUI, not through the bookstore;
3. The IFC approved merger of School of Journalism with SLA;
4. The new IFC President is Marianne Wokeck
5. Campus security presented on the defibrulators on campus, which have already saved 5 lives on campus; defibrulators are paid for by the schools; SLA has two in CA
6. Pressure is being put on Parking Services to show a profit; it was decided not to privatize parking at this time; faculty expressed concern over price increases;
7. Misconduct procedures need to be improved and streamlined in light of increased on-campus residency.

➢ Teaching and Advising Committee: Teaching Awards were announced and presented.

Trustees Teaching Award Recipients:
Lecturers: M. Catherine Beck, Mike Polites, Shahrokh Towfighi

➢ Faculty Affairs Committee (Enrica J. Ardemagni (FA President) and Dean Blomquist: Faculty awards were announced an presented.

School of Liberal Arts 2014 Distinguished Faculty Awards (awarded 4/18/2014):

Outstanding Lecturer (non-tenure-track):
Scott R. Weeden
Senior Lecturer in English

Outstanding Lecturer - Associate Faculty:
Sarah Layden
Associate Faculty, English
Creative Writing, University College
Langsam-Oswalt Faculty Award (summer fellowship for lecturers, non-tenure track, full-time faculty): Brian C. McDonald

[After the Meeting Dean Thom Upton announced the Shipps Faculty Awards: (support travel by junior faculty to professional/scholarly meetings): Thorsten Carstensen, Samuel Kahn]

➢ Nominating Committee (Amanda Friesen): Results of election for 2013-2014 FA members were announced by Kim Lovejoy.
   President: David Bivin
   Agenda Council: Elee Wood (MSTD); Dennis Bingham (ENG) [continuing: Kim White-Mills (COMM); Nancy Robertson (HIST); Eric Saak (HIST)]
   Enhancement Review Committee: Didier Bertrand (LANG); [continuing: Missy Dehn Kubitschek (ENG); Carrie Foote (SOC)]
   Nominating Committee: Rebecca Shrum (HIST); Joseph Tucker Edmonds (REL, AFRO) [continuing: Timothy Lyons (PHIL); Amanda Friesen (POLS); Jaesoo Kim (ECON)]
   Promotion & Tenure Committee: John McCormick (POLS); John Tilley (PHIL); Subir Chakrabarti (ECON); Patricia Wittberg (SOC), tenured members; Greg Keller (PHIL); Julie Freeman (ENG), senior lecturers [continuing: Gabrielle Bersier (WLAC); Robert Barrows (HIST); John Parrish-Sprowl (COMM)]
   SLA Rep to Faculty Council: Julie Belz (ENG); Timothy Lyons (PHIL) [continuing: Daniella Kostroun (HIST)]

7. Call for new business (Enrica J. Ardemagni): Dean Thom Upton reported that faculty all schools expected to have own workload document; deadline for such a document is the end of Fall 2014. Dean Upton will be working with Faculty Affairs to articulate the SLA policy in the Fall.

8. Transition to new FA President – Enrica J. Ardemagni

President Ardemagni offered her reflections on her tenure as President of the FA. She also called for members to serve on SLA committees. She then passed the gavel to the new incoming President, David Bivin.

9. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded; President Bivin gaveled the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Minutes Faithfully Submitted May 7, 2014

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