Minutes
Faculty Assembly, School of Liberal Arts
2:00-4:00 p.m., Friday November 15, 2013 LE 105


Guests: Brown, M.; Illg, M

1. Meeting was called to order by Faculty Assembly President Enrica Ardemagni at 2:00 p.m.

2. The minutes from the meeting of 20 September 2013 were approved by acclamation.

3. President Ardemagni's General remarks: President Ardemagni called attention to the state deadlines for submitting material for the FA agenda and asked faculty to make sure to send material within stated deadlines.

4. Dean's remarks:
   - When we return from the semester break it will be time to nominate students for scholarships, awards, and the IUPUI Top 100, so as you wrap up Fall Semester please give some thought to those outstanding students you and your colleagues in your programs and departments would like to honor.
   - Please continue to be security-minded as we work to re-secure the building.
   - Please cooperate with the network wiring upgrade as it proceeds through the building.
   - Faculty can work on our FAR’s any time, including during the semester break.

5. Old Business
   - Sam Kahn stressed the need for faculty to sign up for the Staff Appreciation Lunch on November 25, 11:30-1:30
6. New Business

- Promotion and Tenure Committee: Andre De Tienne will serve as chair for SLA PT for the Spring 2014 semester, taking over for Dennis Bingham who will be on sabbatical. At the January SLA FA meeting, a proposal will be made for a change to the By-Laws to make the SLA elected official for the campus PT committee a 3 or 5 yr term. The elected member will remain a voting member of SLA PT, but would not have to write up cases and would not have all responsibilities of SLA committee members. The P&T Committee is still working on the wording, so these were some general recommendations that had been discussed to date.

- Faculty Affairs Committee: Jack McKivigan presented a draft proposal for the Policy on Clinical Faculty Appointments. Concerns with the proposal were expressed. While SLA needs to have policy in keeping with campus and University policy on clinical faculty appointments, the language of the current proposal suggests in a couple of places that teaching is the primary purpose of clinical appointments; such statements are at odds with later statements that clearly state that clinical appointments are for teaching and service, i.e., not just teaching. Moreover, the terms of appointment need clarification with respect to expectation of teaching load; research expectations; service expectations, especially with respect to clinical appointments serving as program Directors. After extended discussion, it was decided that the Faculty Affairs Committee will revise the current proposal and bring it to the floor again in January 2014.

- Teaching and Advising Committee: Suggestions for online evaluations should be sent to Jisong Wu. There are possibilities to revise the evaluation form.

- Library Committee: The Library Committee met on October 4 and seeks to once again revise the allocation system, which was last done in 1989. Proposed resolution presented and discussed for FA to support library reallocation. Input hereon should be sent to Pat Wittberg. The formal vote to support the resolution was unanimous.

- IFC: David Craig and Danna Kostroun reported on the IFC and proposed a resolution that the SLA FA support the Freedom Indiana Coalition as had the IFC. The vote to do so was unanimous, with one abstention.

- UCC:
  1. A recommendation was made that History be counted as both a social science and a humanities requirements in the SLA curriculum. After brief discussion, the vote was unanimous to adopt the recommendation and to formulate a formal policy;
  2. A proposal was presented for the approval of an ASL minor that would complement the existing major. The vote to adopt the proposal was unanimous.
3. A proposal was presented to approve a new major Law and Liberal Arts. Discussion included clarification regarding the requirement, which would essentially develop the current paralegal certificate into a full major and would also be an ABA approved program. Concern was expressed regarding the flexibility of electives within the degree. The vote resulted in the acceptance of the proposal, with, however, five members voting against the proposal.

4. A proposal was presented to change the name of the International Studies Program to Global and International Studies Program. After discussion, the vote was unanimous for approval.

5. A recommendation of a by-laws revision was presented to amend the last sentence of article IV, section 4. J. 1 to read: "It [i.e. the UCC] shall approve new courses and recommend to the Assembly the approval of new majors, minors, programs or certificates." After discussion, which included the clarification that joint programs with graduate programs would need to be approved by the graduate curriculum committee. The vote was unanimous to approve the recommendation.

7. Final Presidential remarks: President Ardemagni noted that future FA meetings may have a new agenda item "Innovation in Teaching" which would be at the end of the FA meeting as time permits.

8. Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Minutes Faithfully Submitted December 23, 2013

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