**Faculty Advisory Council Meeting**

College of Education

Texas State University – San Marcos

**Meeting Minutes: October 7, 2010**

Members Present:

Jennifer Ahrens, HHP

Lori Assaf, CI

Amanda Boutot, Chair (Proxy for Gail Dickenson), CI

Karen Meaney, HHP

Michael O’Malley, CLAS

Robert Reardon (Proxy for Gail Roaten), CLAS

Dawn Robarts (Proxy for Renee’ Rainy), HHP

Duncan Waite, CLAS

The FAC meeting was convened at 3:30 PM in ED 4040 and AVRY 369 via video link.

Chair’s report (Amanda):

1. FAC funds from the Dean’s Office (such as support for the new faculty social) go through an account in that office. Capital Campaign donations can still be made to the FAC account in CLAS, and this is an option on the form. These funds support the new faculty social, faculty development initiatives, etc.
2. FAC Chair and Dean met regarding the question of possible restrictions to travel funds due to budget constraints. The Dean appreciates FAC’s input and is looking at other options rather than limiting travel budgets.
3. FAC Chair is on Dr. Schmidt’s Faculty Development Committee and will be meeting with them, looking to build collaboration between the groups.

Treasurer’s report (Barbara):

1. FAC has minimal funds in a CLAS account, which are used for events such as a new faculty social, faculty workshops, etc.

Mentoring & Research Brown Bags (Included SCRUF Discussion – Subcommittee for the Retention of Untenured Faculty):

1. Open discussion of possibilities for hosting mentoring sessions such as research brown bag sessions, writers’ retreat, scholarly speakers, grant writing sessions, publishing sessions, etc.
2. Research Brown Bags: Navigating Scholarly Publication and other possible topics were proposed. First one scheduled for Friday December 10. Details TBA.

New Faculty Social (Dawn, Committee Chair)

1. Friday, November 5 at 4 PM, location in San Marcos TBA –
2. Committee members Dawn, Barbara, & Robert
3. Robert will send a “save the date” email to new faculty, deans, & chairs. Formal invitations will be sent later.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:20 PM.