

Joint Deans/Chairs/Faculty Senate
Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Senators: Bell-Metereau, Blunk, Cavitt, Conroy, Covington, Czyzewska, Feakes, Furney, Hindson, Menninger, Morris, Payne, Sriraman, Weill, White

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Andrea Golato, Dean, Graduate College
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Administration:

Provost Bourgeois

Associate Provost Opheim

Beth Wuest, AVP, Institutional Effectiveness

Michael Heintze, AVP, Marketing & Enrollment Management

Ron Brown, AVP, Academic Services

Bill Covington, AVP, Research & Federal Relations

Gwendolyn Hustvedt, Presidential Fellow

Guests:

Gaye Korenek, Director, Faculty Records

Robyn Diaz, Library Liaison

Tom Grimes, Professor, Journalism & Mass Communication

Rebecca Banks, *University Star*

Discussion of PPS 6.11, Brown, Opheim, Bourgeois, Conroy

- Synopsis of accomplishments now will be submitted as part of application, so the awardees' records can be posted online to serve as a model for future nominees
- Exhibits are defined as attendant materials documenting specific award category endeavors
- Presidential seminar will be the responsibility of department or school, which will coordinate and sponsor the event
- Historically chairs have not been eligible for these awards; particularly the service award, because the position includes service duties.
- Last year, \$30,000 was left on the table by departments submitting partial slates of nominees.
- College level nominees are now required to submit nomination materials at the university level to qualify for the Presidential Distinction Awards (\$2000).

Adjunct faculty workload release and Adjunct Faculty Committee initiatives, Feakes

Workload release

- 10 of 11 applicants were awarded
- 42 credits awarded for fall 2014; 15 credits awarded for spring of 2015
- Chairs were advised that workload report should not use development leave adjustment code. Use the adjustment code fits, research, administrative, etc.

Adjunct Faculty Committee Initiatives

- Goal to create adjunct faculty orientation to take place after general faculty orientation; follow-up workshops with just-in-time workshops (for fall and spring semesters), which will be placed online as well

Adjunct faculty teach almost 50% of lower division courses.

SACS standards regulate hiring and training graduate teaching assistants; GTA

- have ongoing professional development and mentoring all year long
- Part-time teaching award (AFC is refining this)

Undergraduate Admissions, VP Heinze

- Report on targets for 2014
- Report on freshman applications and acceptances 2008-2013; number of high school graduates grew; market share also increased
- 2014 is a counting year, with anticipated decrease in high school seniors

Graduate report, Dean Golato

- Money has been dedicated for graduate education through merit scholarships; doctoral merit fellowships and graduate merit fellowships, for new students
- University goal of increasing graduate enrollment
- Market and policy pressure is coming from alternative certification programs

Collaborative research and teaching

- Interdisciplinary teaching and research across colleges, disciplines
- Computer science and studio art received interdisciplinary grant for \$25,000
- 25 of 140 REP proposals were collaborative
- Team teaching isn't facilitated by Banner
- Curriculum committee is working on interdisciplinary graduate theses
- Degrees, hiring, and SACS requirements pose possible problems
- Collaborative partnerships and new online degree present possibilities

End of joint meeting

Faculty Senate Meeting

Research Enhancement Program

- Chair distributed spreadsheets of the College Research Enhancement Committees' rankings of proposals

PAAG Agenda possible items:

- Deferred maintenance (Nusbaum)
- Facility renovations
- Crime in and around campus
- Report on the regents meeting
- Round Rock faculty participation issues

Minutes 11/13/13 approved as amended.