**Faculty Affairs Committee**

**Minutes**

**9/27/2023**

***Call to Order -*** 6:00

***Roll Call***: Tom Lucey (chair), Martha Horst, Mary Hollywood, Steven Peters, Craig McLauchlan

***Absent:*** Kevin Edwards

***Public Comment (guest sign in with the FAC chair; not more than two [2] minutes each)***

***Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2023***

Motioned by Martha; seconded by Steven – motion passed

***Discussion:***

1. Policy 4.1.1. Honorary Degree Policy.
	* 1. Liaison to help determine recipients.
		2. Incorporate University Advancement in a different way through a liaison with this position being specifically defined. They can facilitate conversation but are a non-voting member.
			1. Edits to the existing policy will be based on an example from the external committee example of use of a liaison. (Textbook Affordability Committee)
			2. Giving honorary degrees we do not offer – other universities do this. Legal is okay with this as these are not official degrees.
		3. Add language that states nominations that are rejected remain in the pool.
		4. Faculty Senator will be on the committee for 3 years as long as they are a faculty senator.
			1. Add a staggering cycle for the faculty senators. Nominated and elected by the faculty caucus. (3-year terms)
			2. Currently the President selects the faculty-at-large and faculty senator.
				1. Examples taken from the Textbook Affordability Committee.
				2. These should be for 3-year terms and selected by the faculty caucus.
			3. Rescinding an honorary degree could have legal issues. Martha will follow with the General Counsel.
2. Ombudsman Policy
	* 1. Letter to Interim President Tarhule from Chairperson Horst to request a postponement of changes to this policy until an Ombudsperson is hired.
		2. Eliminating this policy affects 3.3.8c, which belongs to the Faculty Caucus.
		3. Martha moves to strike 3.2.12; Steven seconds. Motion passes
		4. Martha motions to strike the word council in policy 3.3.8c. Steven seconds, Motion passes.
3. Executive Committee Charges for 2023-24 and other committee tasks/policy assignments
4. Policy 7.1.1. Significant Financial Interested Disclosure Policy
	* + 1. In compliance committee
5. Policy 3.7.7. Secondary Outside Employment
	* + 1. Will be affected by 7.11
6. Policy 4.1.13. Classified research.
7. Policy 4.1.11. Export control
	* + 1. No updates
8. Policy 4.1.10.  Intellectual Property
	* + 1. Waiting to hear from intellectual property committee

***Adjourn -*** 6:50