**Rules Committee of Academic Senate**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., March 23, 2016**

**Faculty Commons, Bone Student Center**

* 1. **Call to Order at 6:00**
  2. **Roll Call and Welcome**

1. Present: Dana Cichon, Michael Shurhay, Sunil Chebolu, E. Paula Crowley (Chair), Michaelene Cox, Sam Catanzaro, Wendy Troxel, Anne Wortham, Paul Dennhardt
2. Absent: Wendy Troxel, Obinna Mogbou
   1. **Approval of Minutes from 3.2.16**

Motioned by: Wortham Seconded: Chebolu Motion passed unanimously

**1.4 Reports:   Chair’s Report:  Current status of task schedule for Rules Committee, 2015-2016**

Crowley: During our next meeging we will work on assigning members to the external committees of the Academic Senate. This is an annual task of the Rules Committee. I will submit the work of the Rules Committee to Cynthia James.

**1.5 Discussion: Revision of the 3.3.8 AFEGC Procedures 3.3.8 and AFEGC Flowchart**

Crowley: We will table our discussion of the title of the AFEGC policy. We would like to forward the policy revisions up to Section C to the Executive Committee. The only part of the policy we did not discuss up to this point is Section D. We don’t have a perfect document but we want to make it the best we can at this point. We will address the greatest revision needs at his point.

Catanzaro: We don’t need a motion to table because it is only a title. He agrees with Crowley to table the discussion of the title.

Crowley: The way the title is should be discussed within our full committee.

Cox: We should approve from the beginning and up to Section C to the full senate committee.

Crowley: I like keeping the flowchart on one page because it comes out clearer and makes more sense. Any other questions about the flowchart?

Cox: Are we making a note about the title?

Crowley: Should we make any other notes?

Wortham: Want to change the line 4. Suggest deleting “may” in the 2nd paragraph on the first page. Want to change specific into specifically.

Crowley: The comments on the side on page 2 discuss the issues of grievances.

Cox: Questions about the bullets changing to numbers in the last one.

Catanzaro: Agrees that the deletion on page two needs to be deleted. Thinks it will be helpful so it doesn’t have a double jeopardy effect on the student regarding academic freedom.

Wortham: Suggests that disputes should go to student conduct and conflict resolution in student affairs.

Crowley: To be clear, it is under exemption

Catanzaro: Suggests the Wortham’s comment should have commas within the sentence.

Chebolu: Disputes involving students should go elsewhere.

Crowley: We will confirm changes via email. Any concerns about malicious charges?

Catanzaro: Suggests that faculty committees with civil service employees are better judicators of academic freedom issues. Union contract covers everything other than academic freedom.

Cox: Is Erik Rankin considered AP worker where he does not have academic freedom?

Catanzaro: Yes, because he is AP he doesn’t have academic freedom.

Crowley: There is a big logistic problem on who it affects. I’m worried about the numbers that are involved.

Catanzaro: NTT’s are covered; civil service is not covered under academic freedom.

Wortham: Suggests language like the AP may bring complaints on academic freedom

Crowley: Asks if Wortham could send the text on the issue in email.

Chebolu: Believes students should be involved in the issue.

Catanzaro: Should there be an AP representative on the committee.

Crowley: Open to discussion on adding members to the committee.

Motion to approve revision of the AFEGC policy up to Section C.

Motioned by: Dennhardt Seconded by: Chebolu. Motion Passed unanimously to send on to Executive Committee.

Adjournment at 7:01 pm. Wortham moved and Chebolu seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Shurhay, Secretary of the Rules Committee.