**Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting No.10**

**Wednesday February 16, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting called to order:** 6:00 P.M.

**Roll Call**:

* Harpel: Present
* Hollywood: Present
* Meyers: Absent
* Nikolaou: Present
* Pancrazio: Present
* Schmeiser: Present
* Biancalana: Present
* Rardin: Present
* McLauchlan: Present

**Public Comment**:

**Approval of committee minutes:** *Minutes#8FAC01.19.22*

* Minutes approved unanimously

**Policy 3.2.8 Sabbatical Leave**

* New comments by various people presented to committee by Sen. Nikolaou
1. Milner doesn’t have department or school but must be accounted for so the language “or appropriate unit supervisor” was added in all relevant places that reference “department or school” to accommodate this.
2. Discussion on comment regarding how ½ semester leave effects the sabbatical leave cycle. Policy ensured to reflect that it must be 2 consecutive semesters

**Policy 3.2.12 Ombudsperson policy**

* Discussion was had clarifying the role of Ombudspersons and current procedure regarding ombudspersons in the university
* Comment about adding “and staff” to mentions of “faculty” where relevant to ensure the policy thoroughly reflects appropriate procedure was addressed by adding the language.
* Discussion was had regarding the 2:1 faculty to staff ratio in cases of an increased ombudsperson council amount that does not easily divide into that ratio
* Discussion was had regarding the stipulation that the 2 faculty members in the ombudsperson council must be from different departments; language was left as is
* Discussion was had regarding the ability to be an ombudsperson in non-standard circumstances such as being on leave, not being present locally, not being accessible locally, etc. No proposed language edits were made regarding this.
* Discussion was had regarding adding a paragraph specifying which groups (such as AP or CS) “endorse” staff for the ombudsperson council to mirror the language specifying the endorsement procedure of faculty for the ombudsperson council; specific language left to be addressed later
* Comment regarding the lack of specificity on credit hour equivalency for compensation for being on the ombudsperson council was addressed by specifying it to be equivalent to a 3 credit-hour course

**Adjourn: 6:52**

Unanimous