

Faculty Caucus Minutes
Wednesday, September 1, 2010
(Approved)

Call to Order

Senator Holland called the meeting to order immediately following the Senate meeting.

Approval of Faculty Caucus Minutes of May 5, 2010

Motion: By Senator Hoelscher, seconded by Senator Fazel, to approve the Faculty Caucus Minutes of May 5, 2010. The motion was unanimously approved.

Action Items:

Volunteers to Serve as Senate Faculty Liaisons (Term: 2010-11)

College of Arts and Sciences (Humanities): No Volunteer

College of Education: Senator Crowley

College of Applied Science and Technology: Senator Reifschneider

College of Fine Arts: Senator Stewart

Volunteer to Serve as Campus Communications Committee Senate Faculty Representative (Term: 2010-12)

Senator Peterson volunteered to serve on the Campus Communications Committee.

Communications:

Senator Holland: Starting on the 15th, the URC and Chuck McGuire...they have gone through the ASPT document and are proposing a number of changes to it. A lot of it is common sense in clarifying what is being done now, particularly things like appeals processes. What actually constitutes an appeal. There are also a couple of things that may be a little on the contentious side. After hours of debate, every proposed change through the URC has been a unanimous decision, but that doesn't mean we have to agree with it. This will be extremely important to everyone here, particularly people going up for tenure and promotion because a lot of that has to do with that. I don't think the proposed changes are necessarily going to cause changes to the departmental level documents. Making dates line up properly is part of it. This is the kind of thing that once it's presented to us that departments would want to know about. The presentation is on the Senate website.

Senator Horst: If someone is going up for tenure this year, will these changes affect that?

Senator Holland: No, they will not. That is actually one of the changes in the document where it specifically clarifies the fact that any changes made will go into effect January 1 in the year following its approval. One of the goals is to have this done before January 1 so that these would go into affect next spring.

Adjournment

Motion: By Senator Dawson, seconded by Senator Stewart, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.