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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA ST. PETERSBURG
Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday May 16, 2008

Library Conference Room – POY 319

Present: Jerry Notaro, David Carr, Margaret Hewitt, Ray Arsenault, Gary Patterson,
and Tom Carter

Guests: Bob Dardenne, Bennie Chenevert, Jonathan Dye, Patricia Pettijohn, Philip
Trocchia and Melanie Ann Riedinger-Whitmore

Chair Margaret Hewitt called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Announcements

Chair Margaret Hewitt introduced the new Senators present. She then read a final report that she gave to the Campus Board at the last COB meeting.

New Business

The minutes of the April 25^h meeting were approved as distributed.

Margaret distributed the President's new Post-Retirement Employment. Jerry expressed concern over Phased Retirees and retirees who teach classes after retirement not being listed in the exceptions. He will email Margaret with concerns.

Further discussion on the function and membership of the Awards and Conduct Committee is tabled for the new Senate to discuss.

Chief Bennie Chenevert and Officer Jonathan Dye gave a presentation on a proposal for campus officers carrying Tasers. Most Florida College and university police forces carry them. Officer Dye explained past campus incidences where the use of a Teaser by officers would have been beneficial. Both answered specific questions and concerns. The Campus Police Department would like for the Faculty Senators to bring the information to the Colleges.

Old Business

As per the Chancellor's request that adjuncts and visiting faculty being included in faculty awards, The Senate voted to group faculty awards into 1) Regular and Visiting faculty, and 2) Adjunct faculty.

David and Tom distributed documents on changes to the Senate Constitution and by-laws. They then outlined the changes from the current document. Many have been voted on previously. The Senate approved all of the changes.

Council Reports

College of Arts and Sciences – A College restructuring is almost complete consisting of Departments and Department Chairs. The CAS budget funds will be distributed through the Departments. The Adjunct Faculty budget has declined by 75%. Promotion and Tenure will now begin in the Departments.

Colleges of Business – Ellen Hufnagel and Mark Wilson have both retired. Mark is going on to be Dean of the College of Business at Niagara University.

College of Education – The College is still hard at work on accreditation. Bree Reck is the new Senator from the COE.

Library Faculty Council – The Library Faculty is working on updating their Promotion Guidelines.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

The next meeting is tentatively set as a Meet and Greet with Noreen Noonan for Wednesday, June 18, 3:30 p.m. All present and new Faculty Senators are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald A. Notaro, Secretary