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**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA ST. PETERSBURG**

Faculty Council Meeting  
November 8, 2002; 9:30 a.m.

**MINUTES**

Present: Bob Dardenne, Jim Fellows, Margaret Hewitt, Steve Micklo, Tina Neville, Mark Pezzo, Jim Spence

**Programs of Distinction (POD):**

Discussion continued on the status of the POD evaluations. Bob Dardenne commented that our top 3 PODs based on ranking were entirely different than our top 3 POD votes based on qualitative input. It is clear that the POD ranking criteria did not necessarily reflect which programs we thought should be supported. A decision has not yet been made regarding which POD or PODs will be selected. It appears that public hearings regarding each POD will be scheduled in the near future.

**New Business:**

**Teaching Excellence Awards:**

Bob has learned that the Tampa campus will be offering Teaching Excellence Awards this year that will provide large base-salary awards. He has learned that the St. Pete faculty will not be eligible for these awards and wondered if the FC would like to question this policy. The consensus of the Faculty Council was that we should not pursue this.

**Letter to the BOT:**

Bob has written a letter to the USFSP Board of Trustees on behalf of the Faculty Council. The letter describes the new faculty governance process and seeks to make the BOT aware of the extra service the faculty have been asked to perform during this year of growth and transition. A copy of the letter was distributed to each FC member with the agenda.

**Research Council:**

Bob has been asked to activate the Research Council so they may begin to evaluate the internal research proposals that have been submitted to the VP's office.

**College Councils:**

At the next FC meeting, each College Council liaison will provide a brief report on activities within their colleges.

**Web Technology:**

Mark Pezzo is a member of the web/classroom technology/IT sub-committee of the Planning Task Force. They are seeking input from faculty regarding concerns in these areas. Bob suggested that Mark send an email to each member of the (not-yet-activated) Web/Technology Committee to solicit their ideas. Additional comments should be directed to Mark.

**Next meeting is November 22, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. in the VP's conference room.**