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University of South Florida St. Petersburg
Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2011
9:00 A.M.
BAY 204 Conference Room

- I. **Recognition of Members and Alternates:** Rick Smith, Grover Kearns, Melanie Riedinger-Whitmore, Susan Allen, Mark Walters, Patricia Pettijohn, Cynthia Leung, Malcolm Butler. Chris Davis and Kaya van Beynen absent.
- II. **Recognition of Guests:** Norine Noonan.
- III. **Approval of Agenda:** Unanimously approved.
Additions:
- IV. **Approval of minutes from previous meeting:** Unanimously approved, with revisions.
- V. **Action Items:**
 - A. SGA-Faculty Interaction (James Scott, SGA President): deferred, did not attend meeting.
 - B. Awards Committee Report: FS expressed their approval of the increased equity of funding for the non-teaching faculty award, beginning Spring 2012. However, propose that the FS, with help of the Awards Committee, propose a name for the award other than non-teaching. Criteria for awards lacks clarity, as no criteria is included in the application forms. Not clear whether an award must be given. Awards need to be signed off by College Level Awards Committee as well. FS recommends that the incoming Awards Committee and FS take up criteria in Fall 2011, asking Awards Committee to document criteria and workflow of awards process, with timeline and checklist.
 - C. Standing Committee Appointments, AY 2011-12
 - D. Election of Senate President 2011-2013: Appointment of Interim Vice President 2011-2012: Per Rick Smith, voting members consist of new and returning members, with those Senate members who have at least two years remaining in their terms eligible to run for the two year term of office: Susan Allen, Chris Davis, Cynthia Leung, and Kaya van Beynen. Rick received no self-nominations by the afternoon of May 5th, the deadline for announcing candidates, but Chris Davis has since agreed to run, although he is unable to attend the May 2011 meeting. Election of an interim vice president serving one year was deferred to the Fall 2011 meeting, as was election of the Secretary to a two year term. While the vice presidency is also a two-year term, the terms of the FS President and Vice President have usually been staggered in the past, to facilitate continuity in governance transitions.
 - E. Fall Faculty Meeting (last topic of meeting): Discussion of the FS calling a General Faculty meeting discussed. Such meetings have been called in the

past, and are discussed in the FS Governance documents. Generally agreed that such a meeting is desirable, deferred to incoming Faculty Senate.

VI. Business Items for Discussion:

A. Administration Reports:

1. Chancellor's Report: deferred.
2. Regional Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs' Report: Discussion of Spring commencement, FS assignments for commencement duties. Discussion of new degrees programs, Biology degree approved. Planning horizon for proposed new degree programs set for next three years.

B. President's Report: Welcome to our incoming FS members, Susan Allen (CAS), Chris Davis (COB), and Kaya van Beynen (Library), and to Cynthia Leung (COE), who served on the Senate this year completing the term of Brie Reck, and has been elected to a new three-year term. Mark Walters has replaced Chris Meindl, and will serve out his term. Thanks to departing members, Grover Kearns, Patricia Pettijohn, and Melanie Riedinger-Whitmore, who have served as Chair of Committee on Committees, Secretary, and Vice President, respectively.

1. April FAC Meeting: Clarification of Voting for President of FAC : FAC members for 2011-2012 will be voting; this includes the additional members from USF Tampa. There are twenty members in all. The voting will be conducted electronically and President Larkin will notify the executive committee if the voting shows no super majority vote.
2. Decided to table voting on the draft FAC constitution until the executive committee has reviewed other models in fall 2012.
3. Provost has invited the FAC to submit liaison recommendations for BOT workgroups. Deby Cassill now serving on the Academic & Campus Environment Workgroup; Rick Smith to serve on Finance and Audit Workgroup.
4. Next meeting in Tampa for election results May 24th.

C. Committee Reports:

D. Ad-hoc Committee Reports:

1. **Technology and Online-Learning Task Force**

E. College Reports

1. CAS:
2. COB: Committee appointments announced: FS, Rick Smith and Chris Davis; Research, Scott Geiger; Graduate Council, Jim Fellows; Undergraduate Council, Wei Guan; Gen Ed: Tom Carter; Awards: Todd Shank; Tech Task Force: Grover Kearns.
3. COE: will announce new Committee appointments in Fall. Dean Vivian Fueyo will be returning to the faculty in Fall 2012.

4. Library: FS, Kaya van Beynen; Research, Deb Henry; Graduate Council, Tina Neville; Undergraduate Council, Kaya van Beynen; Gen Ed: Patricia Pettijohn; Awards: Jim Schnur; Tech Task Force: none.

F. Other Business

**VIII. Announcements:
Meeting Adjournment**

Summary

Motions	Approval Status
1. We return to one-year terms for the President and Vice President.	<u>RS</u> made the motion.
	<u>MW</u> seconded the motion.
	The Senate voted to approve, 7-1.
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2. The Vice President will automatically assume the office of President the following year (also what we did in the past).	<u>RS</u> made the motion.
	<u>MW</u> seconded the motion.
	The Senate voted to approve, 7-1.

Motions	Approval Status
3. The effective date of Faculty Senate committees and officers terms immediately follows their election, with new FS terms beginning Summer semester.	<u>RS</u> made the motion.
	<u>MW</u> seconded the motion.
	The Senate voted to approve, 8-0.

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4. Chris Davis elected 2012 President for one-year term.	<u>RS</u> made the motion.
	<u>GK</u> seconded the motion.
	The Senate voted to approve, 8-1.

Actions (Follow-up)	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline (if any)
Will need to revise governance	Incoming President	

<p>and by-law documents in Fall 2012 to accord with various motions; FS then to take revised documents back to faculty councils.</p>		
<p>Actions (Follow-up)</p>	<p>Person(s) Responsible</p>	<p>Deadline (if any)</p>