Minutes from Senate FSC meeting 12/12/13, 2-3 PM

In attendance:  Larry Armstrong, Mark Boyer (chair), Pam Bramble, Preston Britner, Diane Lillo-Martin, Allison MacKay, Girish Punj, Sally Reis (ex officio), Bob Ricard (on phone), Zeki Simsek, Cheryl Williams, Suzanne Yelin.

Review of minutes from 11/14/13 – approved by the assembled.

A. OIRE:
   • Brief discussion of recent queries from ENGR faculty member; received feedback from OIRE and Cheryl Williams distributed a sheet that helped answer some of the questions.

B. On-going discussion of subcommittee meetings re: PTR process issues
   1. Review of and Revisions to PTR forms/Standardization –

Resolution: The Senate Faculty Standards Committee (FSC) has discussed the possibility of a PTR framework that provides greater harmonization and transparency across the university, while remaining cognizant of the unique characteristics of excellence standards within individual schools/colleges/departments. At this point, the committee recommends that a letter be sent by the Provost’s Office to Deans, Chairs of Advisory Councils, and Department Heads that requests written rules/documents for schools/colleges/departments concerning their PTR procedures, processes, and practices to be developed by the end of the Spring 2014 semester. The FSC also suggests that each unit investigate PTR rules/documents for peer and aspirant schools/colleges/departments, as well as a synopsis of what their present PTR concerns are and how they have looked to policies elsewhere.
   
   • Goal of having these produced by departments before PTR Forum in early April.
   • The chair with check w/ Ernie Z about whether this should go to SEC before the Provost’s Office makes this requests of departments.
   • Resolution passed 11 (in favor); 0 (opposed).

2. Possible revisions to Provost PTR review
   • SubComm: Pam Bramble, Larry Armstrong
   • FYI: Provost’s PTR Review Team for 2013-1014
     o Mun Choi, Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
     o Sally Reis, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
     o Amy Donahue, Vice Provost for Academic Operations
     o Larry Silbart, Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives
     o Kent Holsinger, Vice Provost for Graduate Education, Dean of the Graduate School
     o Jeff Ogbar, Vice Provost for Diversity
     o Dan Weiner, Vice Provost for Global Affairs
     o Jeff Seemann, Vice President for Research
   • Extensive discussion of various options and possibilities. Pam Bramble will redraft some
language based on the discussion and will circulate to FSC. Then it will move to a committee vote and perhaps to the SEC.

C. Data Ownership document – any comments to forward to the VPR’s office. Michelle – no comments; move it forward.

D. Other issues raised by committee members.

- Intellectual Property document that was circulated earlier this fall – Sally Reis that she had received lots of “heated” comments on the draft policy. Mary Holz-Clause will revise and resubmit it to FSC in the coming months.

Adjourned at about 3 PM.