Minutes

Faculty Standards Committee of the University Senate

February 3, 2020 (2:00 p.m., Rome Portico, Storrs Campus)

The following FSC members were in attendance.

*Preston Britner, Chair, Human Development & Family Sciences
*Marysol Asencio, El Instituto
*Dan Burkey, Engineering
*Phillip Gould, Physics
*Lisa Holle, Pharmacy Practice
*Linda Pescatello, Kinesiology
*Paula Philbrick, EEB, Waterbury Campus
*Kathy Segerson, Economics
*Del Siegle, Education
*Sarah Woulfin, Educational Leadership
Cynthia Gerber, Graduate Student
Lewis Gordon, Philosophy
Dalton Hawie, Undergraduate Student
Martina Rosenberg, CETL
John Volin, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs (ex officio)

1) Old Business

Preston Britner recapped the two-year history of FSC’s charge, research, and discussions on the topic of sabbaticals for non-tenure track faculty. FSC debated the merits and wording of a draft proposal of a statement for the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). We reached a tentative agreement on the focus of the statement and will vote on final language at the March 2, 2020 FSC meeting.

2) New Business

We reviewed two documents that were sent to us by the SEC.

a) The new Reappointment, Multi-Year Appointment, and Promotion Form for Clinical, In-Residence, & Extension (CIRE) Faculty Members & Lecturers. John Volin explained how these are roughly parallel to the PTR forms for TT faculty, with appropriate ability to skip domains that are not relevant to an individual’s contract and offer letter. No major concerns were raised. This form is in place for Fall 2020.

b) A draft of the Office of the Provost Guidelines on Secondary Appointments. FSC members asked Volin about several aspects. As stated in the draft, the guidelines should be used for all new secondary appointments, starting 1/1/2020; in cases of joint appointments, parties are encouraged to clarify roles, even for those appointments established before 1/1/2020. Questions raised included: language
(why “teaching, research, and outreach” instead of PTR language of “teaching, scholarship, and service/engagement”?) application to UCHC [answer: no]; the need for MOA to include service expectations by department, especially for joint appointments; and, questions about what constitutes “No formal rights and responsibilities” in a secondary department (i.e., what does that mean for committee work, voting rights?).

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.