Faculty Standards Committee of the University Senate

Monday, May 2nd, 2022 (2:00 – 3:30 PM, WebEx) Minutes

1. Attendance

Lisa Holle, Chair, Pharmacy Practice
Valarie Artigas, School of Nursing
Bede Agocha, CLAS, Africana Studies Institute
Preston Britner, CLAS, Human Development & Family Sciences;
Dan Burkey, Engineering, Associate Dean
Douglas Degges, Art and Art History;
Masha Gordina, CLAS, Mathematics
Kathleen Holgerson, Women's Center,
Elizabeth Jockusch, CLAS, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Betsy McCoach, Neag, Educational Psychology
Vicki Magley, CLAS, Psychological Sciences
Linda Pescatello, CAHNR, Kinesiology

Unable to attend: Martina Rosenberg, CETL, Faculty Development, Jeffrey Shoulson, Senior Vice Provost, Ex-Officio member, George McManus, CLAS, Avery Point; Jack Powell, Undergraduate Student Government Representative; graduate student representative and another USG representative unassigned

- 2. April 2022 Minutes approved
- 3. Resolution in support of convening a University wide task force to operationalize "evidence of teaching excellence beyond SET "(formerly known as SET+ or SET Plus) to be presented at May 2nd University Senate meeting for approval
- 4. Request from USG regarding student letters of support to be included in PTR decisions
 - a. Lisa provided an update on conversation with Karen Lau about the intent of the USG legislation, the process to move ahead and some background on the PTR process (ie, what is involved, governance by AAUP contract, faculty role/responsibilities related to teaching, research/scholarship andservice, PTR document and site)
 - b. A statement of position regarding an amendment to UConn's University By-Laws Regarding Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment Resolution passed by University Student Government and Karen and other USG students have met with incoming AAUP President, CLAS Dean and Associate Dean for DEI and incoming student members of BOT and have support
 - c. FSC members discussed that we should keep apprised of the status of this resolution and be poised should this be asked of the committee to review. It may require looking at peer institutions about policies and procedures that may be similar. Concern for whether negative and positive support should be included (to give full view and whether this could potentially negatively impact faculty, particularly those of under-represented groups)
 - d. Suggestion to develop a "higher education 101" session for USG and other active student groups on campus to help them understand a faculty member's role at the University and how to raise issues they may have
- Updates

- a. PTR site recommendations any additional suggestions should be sent to Vice Provost Shoulson or Lisa
- b. UConn's Provost Nutmeg Professorships status to be discussed at the Provost's level on May 4. Lisa to follow-up and report to committee. Members suggested to try to get this on the interim and/or incoming Provost's agenda if not adopted before Provost Lejuez's departure.
- c. 2021-2022 Annual Report (attached)
- d. Thanks to all of the committee members for all of the contributions, work and insight over the past year and to those members who are outgoing (Preston Britner, Kathleen Holgerson, Linda Pescatello, and Jack Powell)