

Shared Governance Council
May 4, 2006
TRF, Room 654
2 p.m.

Present: Linda Samuelson, Dan Sponsler, Norm Hals, Diane Drake, Kevin Stuckey, Roger Peterson, Danie Packard, Mary Lou Novak, Barb Forrest, Al Shervold, Kate Schmalenberg, Jim Davis, Kent Hanson, Jeff Thomas, Mike Normandin.

Old Business:

06-07 Committees: Faculty recommended the Faculty Internship Committee be disbanded. It was agreed that the faculty presidents and administration would review the applications as needed and make recommendations to the President. Faculty and administration agreed to disband the Faculty Emeritus Committee since all eligible faculty will be given emeritus status upon retirement. It is still unknown whether any of the Technology Subcommittees will be discontinued. Faculty presidents will be informed of any changes over the summer. Resolved.

Program Directors: Faculty tabled this item until the next meeting. Faculty requested administration also identify the clubs and advisor pay for each campus. Not Resolved.

Distance Education Consortium: Administration reported they still needed a TRF faculty representative for the Process Team. Not Resolved.

Calendar Committee/Final Exam Schedules: The committee met and faculty have been given a draft copy to review. Kent will share it with AASC.

College Award for Excellence Committee: The committee has forwarded their recommendations on the proposals to President Davis. Decisions will be made early next week. Faculty asked to receive a summary of the faculty projects and amounts that are being funded, including the balance of funds remaining.

Emeritus Committee: The committee met and decided to grant emeritus status to all retired faculty who met the criteria, not just those who were nominated. It was reported that to date there are 44 at the TRF Campus, and 17 at the EGF Campus. Resolved.

New Business:

Shared Gov. Council Meeting Dates: Linda Samuelson distributed a proposed meeting schedule for 06-07, with the first meeting set for Sept. 14th at TRF. Meetings will continue to meet the second Thursday of each month at 2 p.m, with faculty pre-meetings at 1 p.m. Locations will be rotated each month. Resolved.

Column Change: Faculty brought up a concern regarding the application for a column change. The word “approve” should be deleted from the form developed by HR Dept. Resolved.

Policy Review:

No changes were made to the following policies at Second Reading: Fraudulent or Other Dishonest Acts; Possession or Carry of Firearms; Credential Field Policy/Procedures.

Faculty Professional Development Policy, Plan, and Procedures: Faculty agreed to accept the proposed documents as a working draft until finalized in the fall. Kent Hanson will work with AASC on any changes to the documents. The documents will be reviewed and discussed again at the Sept. meeting. The working draft will be in effect until revised. Not Resolved.

The following revised policies were accepted at First Reading, since they need to be included in the new Student Handbook printed over the summer: Admissions, Tuition and Fees, and Access Fee.

Budget: An updated summary of revenue and expenditures was distributed. It indicated there is \$944,281 in unspent funds in this year’s budget. Dr. Davis noted that whatever we can carry forward this year will boost the equipment budget for next year (at least to \$400,000). Faculty requested that charge-backs be included in their budgets and charged back on a monthly basis. Administration agreed to implement that process on the TRF campus, as it is already being done at EGF.

Bonding Bill/HEAPR: Dr. Davis reported on the status of the bonding bill in the Legislature. The EGF boilers are still in the bill. Dr. Davis was skeptical about the passing of the \$600,000 planning funds for the EGF expansion project.

Adjourned at 3 p.m.

Cindy Cedergren, Recorder

