CHFA Faculty Senate
January 31, 2011
Minutes 326

Present: Juan Carlos Castillo, Timothy Dooley, Richard Glockner, Lauren Nelson, Paul Siddens,
Absent: Francis Degnin, Tammy Gregersen, Robert Washut

1. Administrative Update
   No one was present to represent the Dean, but Chair Castillo stated there were no items to report.

2. Approved Minutes 325 (December 6, 2010) as submitted. (RG/TD moved/seconded)

3. Announcements
   
   Upcoming events:
   
   Scholars in Action: The 2011 UNI Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity
   Maucker Union Friday, Feb. 11, 2011 8:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.
   
   This is a faculty symposium and will last all day. Chair Castillo is representing our college at the event, as are other faculty.

4. Old Business
   
   Update on status of Faculty Awards
   
   Chair Castillo asked members of the Senate to please ensure that applications are complete by February 6th from all three nominees. (The selection committee includes Tammy Gregersen, Richard Glockner, and Paul Siddens.)

   Nominations were accepted for the award committees. Dr. Ken Bleile agreed to represent CHFA on the committee for the Class of 1943 award; Dr. April Chatham-Carpenter agreed to represent CHFA on the committee for the Nielsen award.

   Four individuals were nominated to the Regents’ Faculty Excellence Award: April Chatham-Carpenter, Vince Gotera, Paul Siddens, Aaron Wilson

   Chair Castillo has received a letter of recommendation for one nominee. An eLearning site has been set up and materials will be made available on that site. We have fewer nominees than we can advance so our main responsibility is to make sure files are complete.

   The Senate discussed if all nominees would be forwarded on “pro forma” basis or if Senators might recommend someone not be forwarded. Individual Senators have to freedom to recommend forwarding or not forwarding any nominee.

   Readers for Curriculum Packets and Tentative Spring calendar:

   Two main readers from outside the department are needed for each packet. Senators will need to serve as main readers for at least two packets. Chair Castillo used a process of random selection to assign readers for each department or program. In addition to departments in the college, the Senate may need to read packets from interdisciplinary
programs. Currently only the Women's and Gender Studies program has submitted information. The readers for each packet will be:

**February 7** - Philosophy & World Religions (Packet ID 3806) and Communication Sciences and Disorders (Packet ID 3745) - Richard Glockner, Paul Siddens

**February 21** - Communication Studies (Packet ID 3825; may be further updated; watch for Packet ID change) - Richard Glockner, Lauren Nelson

**March 7** - Communication Studies (continued), Theatre (Packet ID TBA) - Timothy Dooley, Paul Siddens

**March 21** – Art (Packet ID 3886) - Tammy Gregerson, Robert Washut,

**April 4** – School of Music (Packet ID 3629) - Timothy Dooley, Lauren Nelson

**April 11** - Modern Languages (Packet ID 3605) - Francis Degnin, Tammy Gregerson

**April 18** – English Language & Literature (Packet ID TBA) - Francis Degnin, Robert Washut

*We need to fit in interdisciplinary programs (Women’s and Gender Studies, others)* - Lauren Nelson, Paul Siddens, Richard Glockner if needed

Philosophy & World Religions and Communication Sciences and Disorders will be combined because the former packer is relatively short. Theatre and English are behind in their submissions.

A question was raised regarding the process. Departments typically present an overview of their changes and then packets are considered form by form by the Senate. Documents may be approved in parts.

5. New Business

**Department Name Change**

The Senate discussed the proposed new name for the merged English/Modern Languages Departments, Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures.

A concern was raised about the breadth of the name and including the word cultures. Consultations should be included with departments such as Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology, Art (particularly the Art History faculty), and History.

The Senate also addressed a question about the actual cost of the name change. Currently the form indicates that there would be no cost. However, there most like would be some costs associated with changes to things such as letterhead, publicity, signage, websites, and so forth.

Concern was expressed regarding the loss of representation for the combined department. in the merged college Senate. The level of representation from departments that were part of CHFA is a concern and merging the two departments will result in loss of a representative on the new Senate.

There was no new business from the floor.

Motion to adjourn (RG/TD).