Minutes
Faculty Affairs Committee of the Senate Meeting
March 15, 2006

Members present:  Peggy Albers, Dabney Dixon, Valerie Fennell, Cecelia Grindel, Shelby Frost, Gerald Gay, Rick Lakes, Dave Pavesic, Jerry Rackliffe, Wayne Reed, and Tammy Sugarman

Guest:  Lanette Brown, Dean of Students’ area

The meeting began with the approval of the minutes of the February meeting.

Disruptive Student Policy
Lanette discussed the changes being proposed to the Disruptive Student policy.  There are no substantive changes to the policy being proposed.  Only three changes are being proposed:

1. The first change is to change the title from Vice President for Student Services to Dean of Students.
2. The second change is to strike reference to a Disruptive Student Withdrawal form.  This form does not exist any longer.
3. The third change is that if a Chair decides that a student is to be removed from class, he or she will notify the Office of the Registrar via email.  Again, reference to the Disruptive Student Withdrawal form was deleted.  Instead of mailing a copy of the Disruptive Student Withdrawal form to the student, notification will be sent to the student via email from the Chair.

The group voted to support these proposed changes.

Non-Tenure-Track Governance
Shelby’s committee is waiting until the Senate year change of membership before resuming its work.  This committee should have representation of one tenure-track and one non-tenure-track member from each college.  Additional volunteers are welcomed.  Shelby plans to make this committee a priority next year.

Faculty Affairs Committee Composition
The committee voted electronically to accept the composition statement as proposed.

Cathy Brack was not present, so the issue of adding representation to the Faculty Affairs Committee from the Counseling Center was tabled until Cathy could present her request.

Volunteers
Cece thanked those who had volunteered for the Bookstore Advisory Committee.  Volunteers are still needed to join Hugh and Cece on a subcommittee to look into enrollment issues (students being dropped for non-payment), as well as to serve on a subcommittee to work on the PTI Handbook.  Please let BJ know if you are able to work on either of these valuable committees.  Shelby Frost volunteered for the Enrollment Issues Subcommittee.

Faculty Handbook Revision
Harry Dangel was not able to be at the meeting, but he has prepared a reworded policy on delaying the tenure clock from the Faculty Handbook. This is in response to our learning that our current policy is in conflict with Board of Regents policy. This document will be distributed to everyone via email. Kindly send your comments to BJ via email.

The meeting concluded at 1:20.