

Meeting #2 Academic Policies and Personnel Committee (2016- 2017)

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

12:00pm -1:30pm

Green Library 812 @MMC/Hubert Library 323 @ BBC

MINUTES

Members present: Michael Christie (EG), Chairperson, Deanne Butchey (BU), Fred Blevens (CARTA), Allan Rosenbaum (SIPA), Sharon Simon (CNHS), Genevieve Diamond (Library)

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:09pm
2. The Agenda was approved without corrections
3. The Minutes of the Meeting of October 11, 2016 were approved without corrections
4. Discussion – NC Grading Responses to APPC Questions

The members had reviewed Elizabeth Bejar's responses to their questions. While these responses cleared up the issues raised, some committee members still retain reservations concerning the proposal.

- a) There is concern that the implementation of this proposal may lead to students' using the NC grade to escape from classes rather than retaking them with the objective to succeed.
- b) The proposal should be implemented as a pilot program with a set end date; data to be collected and reviewed to determine the effectiveness and any decision to proceed further based on the data.

5. Discussion – FIU Co-Branding Protocol
 - a. Suggestions for revised wording of page 5, paragraph 1:

“The Division of External Relations will seek input from the president of the Student Government Association, Chair of the Faculty Senate, who may delegate and/or consult with various departments, and the University President, regarding co-marketing of third parties/**events** presenting novel situations or events raising questions about consistency with our mission, vision or values. The Division of External Relations will not have override power but will seek a consensus among these entities.”

6. Discussion - Faculty Administrator Survey

Questions were raised regarding the effectiveness of the survey as results are not freely available.

Did issues of confidence affect participation?

Did the handling of the survey by a third party affect the rate of participation?

Were faculty well-informed regarding the handling of the survey by a third party?

Recommend that assessment include faculty evaluation of University Provost and President and results become a part of their record publicly and permanently.

Recommend that Faculty Senate appoint an ad hoc committee to create questions for evaluating upper administration.

7. Student assessment of instruction - Tabled to next meeting: Is online assessment working?
8. Excellence in Teaching – Tabled to next meeting: Support from administration.
9. No new business
10. The meeting adjourned at 12:42pm