

Meeting #7 Academic Policies and Personnel Committee (2016- 2017)

Thursday, April 13, 2017

3:00pm – 4:30pm

Green Library 835 @MMC/Hubert Library 210 @ BBC

MINUTES

Members present: Michael Christie (EG) Co-Chairperson, M.O. Thirunarayanan (ED) Co-Chairperson, Deanne Butchey (BU), Sharon Simon (CNHS), Juan Gomez (Law), Genevieve Diamond (Library)

Guests present: Valerie George, Susan Himburg, Elizabeth Bejar

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:09pm.
2. The agenda was approved without corrections
3. Minutes of the Meeting of March 23, 2017 were approved without corrections
4. Academic misconduct:

Dr. Valerie George gave a presentation on academic misconduct and measures the university is taking to mitigate this. She referred the members to the website for Academic Integrity: Integrity.fiu.edu for additional information.

A short discussion by committee members followed concerning the day set aside for final exams for online students, when one faculty member may have numerous large classes to proctor, making it difficult to properly monitor all students. It was proposed that more days be set aside for these exams, perhaps Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday of finals week.

5. Emeritus Policy:

The Emeritus Policy was discussed briefly, and after further follow-up discussions via email, the following statement was suggested for the policy and approved electronically by the committee:

“Faculty should apply for Emeritus status before the effective date of his/her retirement.

The granting of Emeritus status should follow the standard prescribed in the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). The honor of Emeritus status shall not be withdrawn, revoked, removed or rescinded unless the recipient of such honor is convicted of a crime that would prohibit them from holding a position in the university.

No one holding Emeritus status shall be required to perform any work or service without reasonable compensation, at a minimum commensurate with the compensation

received prior to retirement, and under no circumstances that is inconsistent with the terms of the CBA.”

6. Substitution or Modification Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Dr. Susan Himburg presented the proposed policy, which follows the Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.018.

Committee members voted unanimously to approve.

7. Student Assessment of Faculty

Dr. Elizabeth Bejar informed the committee that this matter is under review by the university and more information will be forthcoming.

8. There was no new business

9. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm