

FACULTY SENATE
March 2, 2011
LEO JOHNSON 346
4:10 PM – 5:00 PM
MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-BOZEMAN, MONTANA
Minutes

Members Present: Caton (COB), Cherry (Math), Eitle (Soc/Anthro), Fisher (PPSP), Lansverk (English), Lockhart (Education), Lynch (Psych), McClure (Micro), Mokwa (Civ Eng), Neumeier (Physics), Osborne (HHD), Reidy (Hist & Phil), Donahue for Rossmann (Libraries), Schachman (Nursing), Sobek (IE), Sowell (ARS), Stoy for Engel (LRES)

Chair Lansverk called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM. A quorum was present.

Old Business

Faculty Athletic Representative: Edited proposal for Final Vote – Chair Lansverk

- Lansverk provided background on the latest round of document preparation for the Faculty Athletic Rep (FAR) proposal. The proposal is simultaneously being written with the help of Bob Oakberg on both counts, by the FS Faculty Affairs Committee and Dean’s Council. Subsequently, President Cruzado called a meeting to clarify the process whereby, and in keeping with shared governance, FS will review their document and vote on the language to bring forward. The two components of the FAR documentation, job description and guidelines selection, were discussed and modifications at last week’s meeting include:
 - Job Description:
 - After a five-year term, the FAR may re-apply for the position.
 - The FAR must be someone tenured (faculty or administrator).
 - Compensation – “up to \$20,000” means the percentage needed for a single course release (usually, 10% per course); if compensation could be gotten for less, then the FAR would not receive \$20,000 and admin will pay direct costs for buyout.
 - Assessment of the FAR will be done by the President and with significant input from FS.
 - Guidelines Selection:
 - Most of the process and wording is new. Of particular note is the triage membership from faculty, one being the chair of Faculty Senate.
 - The FAR will also attend FS at least once a year to report issues related to academic performance of student-athletes, student-athlete well being, eligibility, and compliance with NCAA Bylaws and the Big Sky Conference Operating Code.
 - FS proposed new wording: “two other faculty reps” with guidelines indicating reps from different colleges.
 - Replace “minimum” with “preferably at least three...”
- Motion to accept both (description and guidelines) documents → seconded → all in favor → unanimous, with one abstention.
- Lansverk, Bok Sowell, Bob Mokwa will serve on the FAR search committee.

New Business

Academic Affairs – New Members/Voice Vote

- Doug Downs (English)
- Mike Reidy (History & Philosophy)
- Rich Wojtowicz (Library)

Motion to accept all candidates → seconded → all in favor → unanimously accepted.

Announcements – Lansverk

Issues from the University Council for FS review and comment:

- Carbon neutral plan for MSU;
- Continue printing the MSU phone book or to have it online; and
- Training on discrimination/harassment; and
- Fair Labor Standards Act rule.

The Faculty Senate meeting ended at 5:00 pm, as there was no further business.

Signature

Marvin Lansverk, Chair

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Gale R. Gough, Secretary