

Frost School Council Minutes

March 20, 2012

Lamson 217

3:30-5:00

Present: Christian Roberson (Chair), Gail Carr, Terri Dautcher (via phone), Zach Tirrell (guest), David Zehr

Unable to attend: Pam Anneser, Cheryl Baker (guest), David Berona, Nancy Betchart, Trent Boggess, Mardie Burckes-Miller, Dana Ernst, Rich Grossman (guest), Dan Moore, James Whiting, Frances Williams, Eun-Ho Yeo

Scribe: Christian Roberson

Acceptance of February 2012 minutes.

Update: Academic Technology Committee Faculty Forum

Christian and Terri provided a brief update to the group about the faculty forum and a summary of the discussion held.

Discussion: Faculty Concerns with ATC Motion

Discussion was held regarding the concerns raised about the motion at the forum. The major points raised were:

- Where in governance would the responsibility for assessment of online courses and student experience in online courses be?
- Why are there so many voting administrators on the committee? There needs to be a clear majority of faculty for voting.
- Is there a need for two committees to solve this problem?
- Should faculty representatives be elected per college?

Discussion was held about the composition of the committee. The consensus of the group was that having faculty elected at large was the best way to deal with faculty representation on the committee. The issue of per-college representation is something what should be discussed from a governance-wide perspective. Discussion was also held about the concern raised regarding the number of voting faculty. Zach pointed out that most administrators are less concerned about having a vote and more concerned about having a seat at the table and being involved in the discussion. This issue will have to be resolved at the next meeting.

The committee worked through the existing FSC function point-by-point and began to formulate notes about which points were no longer needed and which could be incorporated into the new committee's function. This breakdown needs to be included as part of the supporting rationale showing why changes are being made as part of the new motion.

Christian and Terri will meet to work on updating the draft language prior to the next meeting to help facilitate getting to a vote at the April meeting.

Next meeting: April 10, 2012, 3:30, HUB 123

Meeting adjourned at 4:45