

Faculty Policies Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of October 21, 2015
Approved: November 04, 2015

Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:05pm

Roll Call:

Roll was taken

Voting Members Present: Cyrenne, Holl, Kochis, Lee, Ozcelik, Rechs, Smith, Wang
Absent: Boulgarides, Monical,

Non-Voting/Ex-Officio Members Present: Allain, Bowie
Absent: Honeycutt

Open Forum

A question was posed about dissemination of information decided at Faculty Senate meetings, especially when changes to policies are made. A suggestion was made to advise the Senate Chair to announce during a Senate meeting that Senators should convey information decided during Senate meetings back to their departments. In conjunction with this suggestion, there was a request to follow-up on the a web page for faculty information that was initiated several years prior.

Approval of the Agenda: The agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of September 16, 2015, and those of October 7, 2015, were approved.

Emeritus Status Policy

Upon further consideration, a revision was requested to the Emeritus Status Policy submitted to the Executive Committee on October 13, 2015. The committee approved to incorporate one of the two changes recommended by President Gonzalez on June 17, 2015. The change in Section I, Paragraph A "...No administrative unit will implement or modify emeritus-~~rights~~ privileges through policy or procedure..." was kept. However, the recommendation to the Executive Committee was that the language to Section II, Paragraph B, Item 4, should remain as originally approved by the Faculty Senate "All retirees will remain ~~may be~~ listed in the Sacramento State University Directory with their location listed as 'RETIRED.'" The rationale is that all of the other privileges do not have caveats. The amended policy will be forwarded to the Executive Committee for consideration at their October 27, 2015 meeting.

Department/Division Chair Policy

Potential revisions to the Department/Division Chair Policy were discussed. It was the recommendation of the committee that the authority to appoint or remove a Chair should remain with the President, and not be delegated to the Dean. Approval of the policy with any

revisions should remove the previous delegation of authority made in 1996. Additional changes considered revising the formatting to correct errors in the numbering of paragraphs. This would aid in the clarity of interpretation. The last change discussed was to give non-tenure track faculty the authority to vote in the department nominations. The discussion will continue at the next meeting after further investigation into the practices at other CSU campuses.

Adjourned 2:30pm