Central Connecticut State University Faculty Senate
Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2008
Vance 105

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Next Meeting of the Faculty Senate on February 11, 2008, 3 pm Vance 105


Ex-Officio: Kremens, Lemma, Lovitt, Pease, Sakofs, Shojai

Parliamentarian: Charles Dimmick

Guests: Braden Hosch (Institutional Research & Assessment), Michael Gendron (President, CCSU-AAUP), James Mulrooney (Chair, Academic Standards)

1. Announcements
   a. For SUOAF-AFSCME, Senator Murphy announced the upcoming March 5 Lobby Day.
   b. The President allowed several brief announcements from the floor i) the March 28th presentation by Donald Hull on “surviving the 4x4 teaching load”; ii) The February 28 training in diversity issues led by Frances Kendall; iii) the surrogate presidential candidate debate this week; and iv) the January 29-31 Climate Action Coalition Symposium.

2. George Murphy moved the approval of the December 10, 2007 minutes: Approved.

3. Unfinished Business: None

4. New Business: a) Senate President Tim Craine gave his report.
   b) Provost Lovitt presented on the Voluntary System of Accountability, requesting the Senate pass a resolution supporting the publication of Parts One and Two of the VSA templates. President Craine will make this an agenda item for the February 11 regular meeting.
of the Senate.

c) Academic Standards moved the following to establish the entrance requirements for the Mechanical Engineering program: Approved.

d) Senator Adams moved the elimination of the phrase, Item 5, Organization, of the P&T committee by-laws, “and the disposition of files,” given that an administrative procedure already exists to handle this task, and that it need not be the burden of each year’s P&T committee: Approved.

e) Tim Corbitt, director of the Counseling and Wellness center reported on the online faculty/staff tutorial, MentalHealthEDU. The university has a lease on the tutorial for another eighteen month or so, and the tutorial requires about a half-hour to take. For more information, please contact Tim Corbitt at x21945 or CorbittT@ccsu.edu.

f) Michael Gendron, President CCSU-AAUP, announced i) that the union was watching two policy shifts regarding consequences for personal email use and regarding the creation of a “fragile persons list”; ii) that the national AAUP was re-organizing; and iii) AAUP will pay the legal expenses of the faculty member denied tenure and referred to in last semester’s report from the presidents of the Senate and CCSU-AAUP.

g) Braden Hosch, Institutional Research and Assessment, presented a report on current retention and graduation rates, at http://www.ccsu.edu/oira/research/StudentSuccess/GradRatesFacSen(2008).pptx

5. Meeting adjourned at 5:05.