Faculty Council
Cameron Research Center 101
April 23, 2009

Present (ex officio): Sonya Hardin (President); Alan Freitag (President Elect); Meg Morgan (Secretary); Kim Harris (Past President); Charles Bodkin (BUS); Barry Wilkinson (C & I); Jackie Dienemann (HHS); Richard Toenjes (LA & S); Gary Rassel (LA & S); Barbara Tierney (LIB); Phil Dubois (Chancellor); Joan Lorden (Provost); Michele Bissiere (LA & S); Tom Reynolds (Dean, Graduate School); Carole Runnion (Acting University Librarian); Bill Hill and Diane Zablotsky for Nancy Gutierrez (Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences); John Gandar for Joseph Mazzola (Dean, College of Business) Mary Lynne Calhoun (Dean, College of Education); Robert Johnson (Dean, College of Engineering); Rick Lejk for Bill Chu (Interim Dean, College of Computing & Informatics); Karen Schmaling (Dean, College of Health & Human Services); John Small (Dean, University College)

Absent (ex officio): David Walters (ARTS & ARCH); Ann McColl (EDUC); David Binkley (ENG); Ken Lambla (Dean, College of Arts & Architecture);

Present (unit representatives): Veronica Nmoma-Walker (AFRS); Dena Shenk (ANTH); Chris Beorkrem (ARCH); Dennis Livesay (Bioinformatics & Genomics); Jian Zhang (BIOL); Sunjune Park (BISOM); Thomas DuBois (CHEM); David Boyajian for Johnny Graham (CENG); Shawn Long (COMM); Taghi Mostafavi (CS); Jack Culbreth (COUN); Vivian Lord for Anita Blowers (CJUS); Karen Hubbard (DANC); Ted Amato (ECON); Ed Stokes (ECE); Tony Scott (ENGL); Louis Trosh (FINN); Walt Martin (GEOG/ES); Tricia Hubbard (KNES); Chuck Haymaker (LIB); Rick Conboy (MGMT); Mohammad Kazemi (MATH); Ed Morse for Mesbah Uddin (MENG); Teresa Petty (MDSK); Jay Grymes (MUSC); Eddy Souffrnant (PHIL); Yasin Raja (PHYS); Brad Wright (POL); Jane Gaultney (PSYC); Sarah Laditka for Cynthia Cassell (PHS); Adriana Medina (REEL); David Mozina (RELS); Marren Coffman (SON); Julie McLaughlin (SOC); Courtney Lynch for Suzanne Boyd (SOWK); Yuliang Zheng (SIS); Ya-yu Lo for LuAnn Jordan (SPED); David Fillmore (THTR)

Absent (unit representatives): Howard Godfrey (ACCT); Scott Rose (AERO); Maja Godlewski (ART); Mickey Dunaway (EDLD); Steve Kuyath (ET); Steve Sabol (HIST); Ed Hopper (LCS); Sunil Erevelles (MTKG); Curtis Lawrence (MILSCI)

Also present: Mary Pat Young (Academic Affairs); Jay Dominick (ITS); Christopher Knauer (Registrar); Janet Daniel (OASES); Connie Martin (Continuing Education); Garvey Pyke (Center for Teaching and Learning); Martha Sanburg (University Center for Academic Excellence); Denise Dwight Smith (University Career Center); Samuel Lopez (Multicultural Academic Services); Cindy Wolf Johnson (Academic Services); Alfred Bryant (ACE Fellow); David Broome (General Counsel); John Bland (Public Relations); Vidal Dickerson (Multicultural Resource Center); Brenda Sawyer (Residency Determination Office); Mehdi Miri (Chair, FAPSC); Paula Goolkasian (Chair, FAR); Julie Putnam (Academic Affairs)

1. Approval of the Minutes of the March 26, 2009 Faculty Council.

Rick Lejk moved to approve the minutes; Alan Freitag seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.
2. FAPSC Motions regarding College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) 
Motion on Student Evaluation of Teaching.

Faculty Council considered two motions from FAPSC through FEC.

2.1 CLAS motion to adopt the proposal from FEC that the university adopt the 
2002 Purdue Cafeteria questions.

Seconded by Jackie Dienemann. Pass unanimously

2.2: CLAS motion that the Faculty allow colleges to utilize an electronic 
course evaluation process for students evaluating faculty.

Ed Stokes seconded. Discussion followed that included comments about the 
openness and confidentiality of the electronic system. Toenjes noted that the 
motion from FAPSC comes with conditions, and Freitag said that he will use 
FITSAC to oversee the implementation of the new system.

Motion passed unanimously.

The second motion from CLAS was not passed by either FAPSC or by FEC: that the 
Faculty allow colleges to increase the number of items on the student evaluation of faculty 
form.

3. Motion of the API/CID Grants Committee

Three motions came from the API/CID Grants Committee and were approved 
by FEC.

3.1 Adopt the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SOTL) concept for the 
teaching grants program and incorporate this concept into Teaching Week.

Seconded by Jackie Dienemann.

Discussion around this motion included the concern that the SOTL concept would 
preclude CID grants that were primarily curricular (not research) in purpose. Joan Lorden 
said that while grants would be awarded for curricular change, there would be more 
emphasis on the scholarly rational for this change. There would be a greater emphasis on 
the evaluative and dissemination aspects of the proposal. Garvey Pike from CTL also 
emphasized this point.

John Smail, Dean of University College, said that faculty “may not see themselves” in 
this new concept, as the CID piece seems left out. Dienemann said that the faculty should 
not think of research too narrowly but should consider whether the proposal achieved it 
goals.

In order to make sure that the CID portion of the grant proposals (not just the API 
portion) is included in the new concept, Rick Lejk moved the following amendment to the 
proposed motion:
a. That the phrase “...as broadly outlined in the Academic and Institution Plans” be taken out, and that
b. CID topics be added to the bulleted list.

Freitag seconded this motion. The motion passed: 46 in favor of the amendment; four against the amendment; zero abstentions.

Jay Grymes moved to table the original motion; Karen Hubbard seconded. The motion to table failed.

Motion 3.1 (with the passed amendment) passed with seven nay votes.

3.2A motion to change the name of the API/CID Grants Committee to the SOTL Committee. Michele Bissiere seconded. Passed unanimously

3.3 Motion to revise the current API/CID Grants program to conform to the SOTL concept and be called the "SOTL Grants Program.”

Eddy Souffrant seconded. Passed with five nay votes.

4. Report on Athletics: Dr. Paula Goolkasian

Goolkasian showed numbers that indicate many of the athletes are doing very well academically. The NCAA specifically mentioned our women’s tennis and volleyball players as well as men’s baseball as particularly exemplary. She discussed the football issue, noted that of the 5,600 reservations for seat licenses, only 1,627 have been purchased. She also said that if the University does not have $20 million by 2013, it would delay the start of the football program.

5. Report of the Multicultural Resource Center: Vidal Dickerson

Dickerson mentioned his goal of getting more information out to faculty about the MRC, especially the increase in programming once it moves to the new Student Union.

6. Report of the Chancellor

In the Chancellor’s absence, Provost Lorden reminded faculty of the Budget Convocation on April 24 to learn about the current budget freeze and the budget planning for 2009-10.

7. Report of the Provost

7.1 The Provost presented the “Provost’s Ward for Excellence in Teaching” to the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology for its attention to community needs, its professional involvement, its attention of global issues, its establishment of the first learning community for transfer students, and its new honors program.

Vivian Lord accepted the award.
7.2 Lorden listed some the University’s accomplishments this year, including:
    • an increase in research funding and number of proposals
    • the Administrative Redesign project
    • the new Diversity Plan
    • student retention increases
    • positive student response to advising changes
    • a reduction in D/F/W rates

She also said that despite budget restrictions, there will be continued support for the FRG program, the three Summer Institutes will go forward, and the University hired two new positions (Dean of Computers and Informatics) and University Librarian.

8. Report of the President-elect

Alan Freitag announced the election results: he also said next year Faculty Council will discuss plus/minus grading.

9. Report of the President

    9.1 Hardin introduced Kim Harris as chair of the Common Reading Committee who announced the common reading for fall 2009: *Listening is an Act of Love*.

    9.2 Hardin said the faculty should attend the opening ceremonies for the new Student Union building in August. Faculty books would on display in the Union. She thanked the faculty for their work and passed the gavel to Freitag, Faculty President for 2009-2010.

10. New Business

    The Provost reminded faculty that book orders are due April 28.

Motion to adjourn made by Rick Lejk; seconded by Eddie Souffrant.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55.

Submitted,

Meg Morgan

Secretary Pro tem