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MINUTES OF THE SACUA MEETING OF APRIL 23, 2012

Present: Barald (Chair), Kearfott (Vice Chair), Koopmann, Lehman (Senate Secretary), Rothman, Staller, Ziff (for Goldman); Carr, Schneider

Absent: Larsen, Lusmann

Guests: Phil Hanlon (Provost and Executive VP for Academic Affairs), Karen Gibbons (Chief of Staff, Office of the Provost), Rex Holland (SACUA Member-elect), Sally Oey (SACUA Member-elect), Scott Masten (SACUA Member-elect), and Stephanie Riegler (Asst Vice Provost for Academic Affairs)

Press: University Record (Jamie Iseler)

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

1. Draft Agenda
2. Draft Minutes of the April 9, 2012 meeting
3. Distinguished Faculty Governance Award Nominations list for 2012
4. Library Council Nominees list
5. Advisory Board on Intercollegiate Athletics Nominees list
6. Email from Douglas Smith to Donna Hayward, Chair of CLB, dated March 3, 2012
7. Emails from John Carson to Senate Assembly, dated April 4, 2012 and April 19, 2012
8. Letter from the COIA Steering Committee to the COIA membership dated February 22, 2012
9. University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Engineering and Computer Sciences Governing Faculty Resolutions, dated April 16, 2012

The meeting was convened by Chair Barald at 3:20 p.m. and the agenda was approved.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 9, 2012 were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. SACUA will decide on the Distinguished Faculty Governance Awardee at the 4/30/12 meeting.
2. Charlie Koopman, the COIA representative, will report on COIA at the 4/30/12 meeting.
3. The Civil Liberties Board will meet in the near future and review Doug Smith's complaint that he was bullied during the Regents' meetings.

PREPARATION FOR GUEST

There was a discussion regarding the reinstated continuous enrollment fine and its impact on various units.

ARRIVAL OF GUEST – PHIL HANLON

Phil Hanlon and Karen Gibbons arrived at 3:30.

When the guests arrived at 3:25 PM John Lehman asked why the provost had requested an executive session and added that in the absence of specific personnel matters he did not believe the meeting should be held behind closed doors because many of his colleagues had a strong interest in the discussion topics, particularly the Dow gift. Provost Hanlon replied that his office had not requested an executive session, and that he was willing to be forthcoming in answer to questions. John Lehman replied that he would therefore not consider the discussion to be secret and would convey pertinent information to his colleagues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Continuous enrollment
2. Current pending State legislature
3. Marching Band
4. Dow's Sustainability Fellows Program gift
5. The University Press

Guests Phil Hanlon and Karen Gibbons left at 4:30 pm; executive session ended.

NEW BUSINESS

Invite Janet Weiss, Dean of Rackham, to discuss continuous enrollment.

Some discussion regarding the increase in the number of key administrators at the University and a possible future study of this issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Carr
SACUA Office Staff

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