

Policy Council Minutes
March 19, 2014
12:30 p.m., EBA 342

(**Bold means Present**; **Asterisk/Italicized means arranged a proxy*)

2/3 of elected members required for quorum

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| Brent Taylor (CSP), Co-Chair | Luke Duesbery (STE), Co-Chair |
| Marcie Bober-Michel (LDT), Secretary | Joe Johnson (Dean's Office) |
| Randy Philipp (STE), Executive Member | Nancy Frey (EDL) |
| Marian Aste (Lecturer Representative) | Audrey Hokoda |
| Jackie Fuller (Staff Representative) | Jose Luis Alvarado (Dean's Office) |
| Nola Butler-Byrd (CSP) | |

1.0 Approval of Agenda

Approved.

2.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2014

Approved

3.0 Old Business

- *Teaching Assignments in Doctoral Programs*: According to the Dean and the CGU Steering Committee, current policy addresses the issue. No need for new policy.
- *Curriculum Change Process*
 Did not happen @ the Spring Faculty Assembly—the issue wasn't clearly presented and within minutes the discussion strayed from consideration for a vote to proposed revisions to the language and some suggestions for a “no” vote. Key is providing a viable way for faculty to provide input to curriculum proposals before they're reviewed at the College Committee level. Smaller departments tend to tackle curricular work via a committee of the whole—but this practice isn't feasible for STE and perhaps other large units. The Elections Committee will solicit input on this issue.
- *Discussion/update about the state of RAT in the COE*
 Faculty approved a one-year plan; Luke Duesbery provided key stats (including response rate) and a summary of the open-ended comments. Policy Council discussion focused on:
 - How many proposals might be funded.
 - Review process (how the Research Committee proceeds—including scoring and ranking); Alvarado, Farnan, and Johnson to take the lead here. Decisions the Research Committee makes must be defensible.
 - How to evaluate this cycle (early Fall 2014)... so that faculty can fairly determine whether or not to make the policy permanent.

Note that Policy Council leadership will attend the Research Committee's first meeting (not yet set).

- *Atypical Section Policy* [large class sections]
Tabled; this topic is already being handled at the University level.
- *College Committees – Terms of Service*
Tackle this @ the April meeting.
- *Courses taught in CES and the RTP process*: No action
- *Discussion/update about compensation for committee work in the College*: No action

4.0 New Business

- *Language in our policy regarding chair referendum*
Discussion about ways to make both COE and University policy clearer regarding voting eligibility (likely, tenured/tenure track only) **and** from whom opinions/insights might be gleaned prior to the vote (lecturers—but only full-time?).
- *Policy Council received clarification from Faculty Affairs. Given that the initial referendum for the STE Director only included tenure/tenure-track faculty members, the election for the new director needs to be consistent in those who are eligible to vote. If COE Policy Council wants to expand the electorate to include part-time faculty, then it must be stated in the College Policy.*

4.0 Announcements from the Dean

6.0 University Committee Reports

No Committee Reports presented at this meeting

7.0 Closing announcements

N/A.

7.0 Adjournment @ 2:30 pm