

Faculty Policies Minutes--- November 5, 2007

Attending: Jim Benedict, Rob Bledsoe, Tom Colbert, Tom Crute, Charles Jackson, Wayne Mixon, Stephanie Myers, Carol Rychly, Jana Sandarg, Robert Smalley, and Debbie van Tuyl

Minutes from the October 29 meeting were approved.

The document about standards of student behavior was taken to the meeting with the president and vice-president and discussed with them.

Carol and Charles attended an administrative workshop on legal issues. The basic message from that workshop was, "Have policies and then follow them." Therefore, the clarifications that FPC has been making to the faculty manual are necessary and consistency is important. In addition, all committee meetings must be open, at least for votes. Discussion can be held in "executive session." Anyone can come, but may need to be on the committee to participate.

Work is progressing on the revisions to the academic policies committee description.

Work is progressing on the committee survey. A list of committees that still have not submitted information was requested, so that information could be obtained.

The Student Honors and Awards committee is working on revisions to their description.

The issues with the French program (that could lead to its demise) were discussed. It was determined that this is not an FPC issue. However, individual members were encouraged to let the dean know where they stand on this issue.

Myers will bring snacks to the next meeting.