

**Minutes**  
**College of Education Faculty Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday- November 16, 2011**  
**9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Dean's Conference Room**  
**COED 205**

Members Attending: Melba Spooner, Ya-yu Lo, Lisa Merriweather, Drew Polly, Jae Hoon Lim, Peggy Ceballos, Pamela Shue, Lan Kolano, Laura Veach  
Guest: Tracy Rock

1. Call to Order - Dr. Veach
  - a. Approval of October 12, 2011 Minutes – Dr. Drew Polly made the motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Ya-yu Lo seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by common consent.
2. Linking the COED Faculty Council with the University Faculty Executive Committee.

Dr. Tracy Rock, the college representative to the University Faculty Council, was asked to attend this month's meeting to provide the council with topics that are being discussed at the university level and to give her view on how we can link these two committees.

Tracy reported that at their next meeting, which is tomorrow, they will be voting on whether to move forward with web-based student course evaluations. The implementation will begin with volunteer colleges and will take place over the course of two years. The FESC Motion to the Faculty Council was a split vote. The reason being a concern for protection of faculty in regards to the RPT process, and the student response rate but Tracy added that good student education would help with the response rate.

Regarding the linking of both the university and college faculty councils, Tracy offered to speak with Laura before each meeting and update her on the topics being discussed at the university level so she could share that information with this council. Since her committee membership requires her to attend two meetings a month, when her schedule allows, she may be able to attend some of our meetings.

Laura stated that she will follow up with Tracy before each meeting for an update of their agenda items. It was also discussed that the Faculty Council By-Laws would be reviewed for more information on this topic. It was agreed that there should be communication between the two councils and that finding a way without adding a burden to the college representative should be investigated.
3. Community engagement in the RPT process

Tracy stated that this motion will come up in January to incorporate community engagement language as a core component to the criteria used in the reappointment, promotion and tenure decisions. Some colleges see it as a separate element. The Council wants to make clear that the community engagement piece would be one of many contexts in which research, teaching, and service could take place. It was agreed that more clarity is needed in the wording. Melba suggested that Laura contact Aimee Parkinson, chair of FESC with our concerns.

4. Other business

The topic of admitting international students to our online courses was brought up but since Heather Coffey, who suggested this topic last month, is not attendance today, we will bring this topic up in January. Jae Hoon will provide information that she gathered from the Internationalization Teacher Education Forum that she attended. We may also want to invite Brad Sekulich, Director of International Programs and Meredith DiPietro, Chair of the Internationalization Committee and share our challenges with them.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

**Next Faculty Council Meeting:  
Wednesday, January 18, 2012**