

COED Faculty Council
Minutes, January 27, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

Members in attendance: Mary Lynne Calhoun, Jack Culbreth, Michael Green, Brenda Romanoff, Maria Yon, Richard Hartshone, Ed Wierzalis, Joann Springs, Tina Heafner, and Lan Quach

Without objection, the October 25, 2005 minutes were approved.

Chair's Report (Michael Green)

- Thank you to Mary Lynne Calhoun for her support for additional parking.
- The College was informed that its FEC representative was not tenured, as required by the Faculty Constitution. Green recommended that the FEC alternative (DiBiase, tenured) be the college representative to FED and that a new election be held for an alternate to FEC. By consensus, this solution was agreed to.
- A discussion was held about "intellectual ownership" of the NCATE and DPI documents. Dean Calhoun has agreed to write letters to faculty members who are up for reappointment and tenure and participated in writing and carried out activities beyond the call of duty during the NCATE and DPI visits. Green suggested that a better solution would be to include a one sentence disclosure in communications (e.g., "Some faculty have not agreed to sharing these documents."), but there was little support for this solution. Green will make a brief report at the COED March meeting on the conclusion to this issue.

Dean's Report (Mary Lynne Calhoun)

- A discussion was held on the "work load" of faculty members for the fall, 2006 school year. A suggestion was made for the COED to move from 6 courses to 5 courses for tenure track faculty and possibilities for tenure eligible faculty. Much discussion centered on paying for the reduction in workload. Green pointed out that funds would come from unfilled positions, the same source of funds that support faculty travel. Calhoun acknowledged that the plan was not yet paid for.
- Questions were raised on, "What is the definition of research? Additionally, what defines dissertation responsibilities?"
- Dean Calhoun made clear that the expectation of research is not changing only the accountability is being restructured. More discussion to come in departments and with various focus groups.

Next meeting will be February 24, 2006 in the Dean's conference room

NOTE: The February meeting was held without a quorum, which technically violated article V-18 of the Faculty Council Bylaws. This error was not

discovered until after the meeting was held. Dr. Green conveys his apology to all faculty in the college for this transgression.