

**Minutes for Faculty Development Council meeting  
for April 15th at 2:30pm  
Science West, Room 2200**

Attendees: Tim Jacks, Nicholas Guehlstorf, Alison Reiheld, Lynn Bartels, Kim Hunter, Yadong Wang

1. Announcements

The group was reminded of the Continuous Improvement Conference dates and asked to promote them.

1. **Tenure & Time Management: How to Manage Your Time So You Can Publish Prolifically AND Have a Life Beyond the Ivory Tower**  
**When:** Wednesday, May 12, 9:00am-11:00am
  
2. **Post-Tenure Pathfinders: How and Why to Chart Your Own Path After Winning Tenure**  
**When:** Thursday, May 13, 9:00am -11:00am

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes

There were no corrections and the previous minutes stand as posted.

3. Old Business

- **Web site:** Tim alerted everyone that Anne Hunter had updated our web site with the new language for amendments to our operating papers. See <https://www.siue.edu/ugov/faculty/development-council/papers.shtml>
  
- **Textbook Services and Courseware Crisis:** The Provost has found a band-aid for the coming academic year to fund all faculty courseware needs and is currently working on a longer-term solution.
  - The group expressed concern that this is merely putting off the crisis until the Spring when Faculty will have to start preparing for the following Fall. The group wants to keep this item on future agendas so that it can be closely tracked.
  
- **TEAC:** We will be moving forward with forming a new TEAC for the Fall.
  - The group provided excellent feedback on the email draft that Tim will send out to the Deans asking for their help in selecting representatives for the TEAC. Tim will send this out this week.
  
- **New Faculty Fellow position:** Lynn Bartels needs our help with the application review process.
  - Nick and Tim and possibly Kim agreed to help Lynn with application reviews and interviews. Lynn also really wants someone from IDLT (Matt Schmitz or someone from his team) because they will be working closely. Lynn expects about 16 applications. Lynn explained that this new position is 1 year renewable contract for up to 3 years. The candidate will coordinate both the Midweek Mentor program (including the blog site) and the Peer Consulting program.
  
- **Faculty Senate re-organization discussion:** The Re-Org working group created a draft of potential changes to our organizational structure. We need to review and discuss and then provide feedback to the working group.
  - The group discussed the document titled “FDC.040121.DraftProposal” created by the re-org working group. Discussion was animated. The overall feedback was not favorable.

The FDC did not take a formal vote but there was a consensus that the draft would be rejected if it were presented in its current form for a vote. Reasons for rejection included:

- an astoundingly large list of duties for the new FDAWC
- a loss of focus on faculty development among all the new duties
- having only three faculty senate members (there was some confusion over this point)
- the number of meetings involved when everyone is already stretched too thin, especially for whoever gets assigned to the governance impact committee
- an aggressive amount of uncompensated additional workload
- an overwhelming amount of change with a very low likelihood of getting faculty support

#### 4. New Business

**Chair position:** We need to vote on a new Chair for FDC for next year.

- The group discussed our options. There was a consensus around the idea of having co-chairs for the Fall due to the workload. Kim and Alison agreed to be nominated. It was determined that we had a quorum. Nick made a motion to nominate Kim and Alison as co-chairs. Yadong seconded. There being no further discussion, Nick called for a vote and Alison seconded. The vote was done by a raising of hands and the vote was unanimous.
- **Kim Carter and Alison Reiheld will serve as co-chairs for FDC starting this Fall.**

Thanks were expressed for our outgoing senators, Yadong and Tim, for their service as well as gratitude to our incoming co-chairs, Kim and Alison.

#### 6. Public Comment

n/a

#### 7. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 3:48pm.