

Faculty Affairs Committee
October 4, 2012
Minutes 2012/13-02
Approved October 25, 2012
3:30 p.m., HMSU 227

Present: D. Hantzis FAC Chair), M. Harmon, T. Hawkins (Executive Committee Liaison), J. Kuhlman (FAC Vice-chair), M. Miller (FAC Secretary; arrived late); B. Phillips, J. Pommier, N. Rogers (Academic Affairs liaison)

Absent: L. Eberman

- A. Approval of Minutes of September 13, 2012
 - a. (Moved/Seconded J. Kuhlman, M. Harmon) 4-0-1

- B. Ex Officio Reports
 - a. Executive Committee (Hawkins): clarified charges
 - b. Academic Affairs (Rogers): encouraged participation in upcoming town halls

- C. Chairperson Report
 - a. B. Phillips replaces H. Ganapathy-Coleman (on sabbatical)
 - b. Discussion of the September 27th Senate vote on suffrage; discussion of possible reasons for vote, including but not limited to lack of continuity between discussion at last year's Faculty Senate and vote by current Senate (with several new members); discussion of possible action/s ('next-steps') to follow from Senate and/or other entities; acknowledgement of seriousness of Constitutional change and procedure of all Faculty vote

- E. Old Business
 - a. Review Charges and Work Plan
 - a. Chair will create list of charges grid document to aid in keeping track of FAC business
 - b. Relevant University Handbook sections have been added to FAC Blackboard work space
 - b. Instructor Evaluation Guidelines
 - a. Information that guidelines are located in Provost's Office but have not been viewed by FAC.
 - b. FAC must address the gap in the Handbook such that instructors recognized as regular faculty have a system of review with same protections that tenure/tenure-track faculty have .
 - c. Charges related to tenure granted after one year/'hiring with tenure': discussion

- F. New Business

- a. Motion for FAC to charge itself with proposing changes in the University Handbook governing faculty voting rights to ensure voting rights for all Regular Faculty, as defined in the Handbook.

Meeting adjourned 4:36 p.m.