

Executive Committee
Fri., Nov. 11, 2005
9:00-10:35
Daley Library, University Librarian's Office
Minutes

Present: Armstrong, Case (chair), Fiscella (secretary), Weller, Wiberley, Zhao; Cullars (guest), Lewis (guest). Malinowsky absent with notice.

1. Review of Agenda

2. The minutes were approved as corrected.

3. Old Business

- 3Y Evaluation Committee replacement

Because of illness of a 3Y evaluation committee member, another faculty member will be asked to substitute.

- Lectures & Forums Committee suggestions for Nakata lecture, spring 2006

Hepburn had forwarded from Lectures & Forums Committee names as possible speakers for the Nakata Lecture. Fiscella will speak further with Hepburn about the possibilities and their relation to a colloquium or another symposium series.

- Senate Library Committee (Weller)

Weller reported that the Senate Executive Committee asked Gerald Strom, Bill Jones and Ann Weller to review the UIC Senate bylaws to determine what changes would be needed to establish a separate Senate library committee (instead of a subcommittee). They will present their findings to the Senate Executive Committee. Weller provided relevant sections of the Statutes and By-laws. Any such change will involve a process to determine if the change would be advantageous.

- P&T recommendation on faculty document concerning librarianship evaluation

As Chair of the P&T Committee, Pifalo sent a set of recommendations for a revision of the document on the evaluation of librarianship

<http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/staff/commwork/promotions/evallibnship.pdf>). The recommendations included streamlining the procedures so that a separate procedural document could be eliminated. At its December meeting EC will review a draft of the charge (Fiscella, with help from Pifalo) and suggest members for a revision committee.

4. New Business

- Meeting with John Cullars (chair) and Krystal Lewis (previous chair) of Nominations & Elections (9:30)

Lewis prepared a report detailing the criteria and procedures that Nominations & Elections used to set up faculty elections in spring 2005. The procedures ensured confidentiality and allowed each person only one vote. N&E surveyed faculty after the elections to learn the extent to which faculty were satisfied or dissatisfied with the elections. While voter turnout was slightly lower during 2005 than previous years, there were only two comments indicating dissatisfaction with the process during the vote, and comments in the survey were primarily positive. The advantages of online voting include less expense and less time. It allows faculty at the regional sites immediate access to the information instead of waiting for delivery of paper documents. Because the system has already been set up on Blackboard, maintenance will be less resource-intensive. The problems were primarily with creating an ACCC common password, login problems (to be resolved by ACCC) and one-time access to the ballots. One difficulty is that the list of faculty is not always accurate; this is a problem for both print and electronic elections, however. With both print and electronic elections, petitions still need signatures. N&E will continue online elections during 2006.

Cullars will supplement the N&E report at the faculty meeting.

Pending issues:

- Strategic Planning
- Track Principles Draft 14. (Discussion at Faculty meeting, Nov 14, 2005)
- Revise “Creating a Climate for Achievement”
- Review of other faculty documents (summer '06?)
<http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/about/facexec/faccommorg.shtml>

EC Meeting dates scheduled:

- Dec 15 (Appointment – Austin)
- Jan 11 (Teaching Support & Documentation – Georgas, chair)
- Feb 8 (Faculty Development Allocations – Stefancu, chair)
- Mar 8
- April 12 (Promotion & Tenure – Pifalo, chair)
- May 10; June 14; July 12; Aug 9 (joint meeting?)