

**Executive Committee**  
**Monday, Sept 18, 2006, 9:00-11:15**  
**Daley, 1-360**  
**Minutes**

Present: Case (chair), Armstrong, De Groote (by phone), Fiscella (secretary), Weller, Wiberley, Zhao.

1. Welcome to Sandy De Groote, who is completing Malinowsky's term of office.
2. The Minutes of August 9, 2006 were approved as amended.

**3. Old Business**

- The agenda carries the list of ongoing EC issues.

- Library mentoring program status.

All but one of the mentor/mentee pairs have responded. Case will follow up with the person who has not yet replied.

Since contacts have been made between the pairs, an immediate workshop doesn't seem necessary. Case will check with the mentoring pairs to get a sense of their need and with John Cullars (as chair of the implementation task force) as well.

- Potential visit of the Chancellor Manning to the Library.

Case will ask Buckner to set up a meeting in spring. It is likely that the visit will be no more than an hour or hour and a half. Case will check with Manning to find out if there are questions she would like addressed. The meeting will be with faculty. Consideration of how to structure the meeting and what to present will remain on the EC pending list.

**4. New Business**

- *Emeritus* recommendation.

The Executive Committee voted to support H. Robert Malinowsky for *emeritus* status. Fiscella will ask him for a current resume, and she will rework the draft for EC review.

- Invitations to Faculty Committee chairs (tentative scheduling).

Appointment, 06-07 chair: Kevin O'Brien (December); Faculty Development Allocations Committee, 06-07 chair: Deborah Blecic (February); Lectures & Forums: 06-07 chair: Hepburn (October); Nominations & Elections, 06-07 (November); Promotion & Tenure, 06-07 chair: John Cullars (March); Teaching Support & Documentation, 06-07 (January). Fiscella will contact the Chairs to set up the dates.

Based on the report to the faculty of FDAC, Case will provide FDAC a roster without tenure symbols or action schedules; it will include names of the tenured, tenure track and clinical faculty. Fiscella will notify Blecic (new chair).

- Faculty meeting follow-up.

- The new document on Librarianship Review has been posted and has been distributed.
- Strategic plan actions are under way. At each faculty meeting EC will continue to report on how actions are progressing.
- EC will check due dates for nominating individuals for honorary degrees. [December 1.] (The topic was tabled at the faculty meeting.) Case will solicit names from the faculty. EC will review the names; if it nominates one of the individuals, it will keep the nomination confidential, as required by the guidelines.
- Staff contract negotiations are in process in Urbana; the Chicago contract is up this year as well.

- UIC/Newberry discussions about a possible Masters of Liberal Arts program

Clark Hulse, Executive Vice Provost for Academic Affairs has been in discussion with James

Grossman of the Newberry Library about a partnership to offer a UIC graduate degree in liberal studies. The partnership would also involve LAS and possibly the Library. Case and Lambrecht are attending the meeting to explore the possibilities. The structure will allow the program to generate revenue. The main questions regarding the Library's participation concern whether the library has the faculty and time to take it on. EC discussed possible topics that could go into the curriculum. The concept fits with the Library's strategic plan. EC supported exploring the potential for Library involvement.

- College of Business Entrepreneurship Program  
The College of Business is working toward integrating its Entrepreneurship program in all disciplines: through partnerships as well as encouraging entrepreneurial thinking in all colleges and units. It is setting up an organization to help fund courses and do research in entrepreneurial issues. (UIUC has already started such a program, and a professor from the School of Library and Information Sciences is involved.) Members of the Entrepreneurship program are willing to do workshops for other units. The Executive Committee supported inviting the program to do a workshop for us. Case will follow up.
- Senate's Academic Services Committee (first meeting, Oct. 24)  
As the Senate's convenor, Weller has set up a meeting of the Academic Services Committee. Case and Kassem will attend as *ex officio* members of their respective subcommittees. The subcommittees will be set up only after the ASC has met. Whether the library would benefit from being a Senate committee or is better off remaining a subcommittee remains an open question.
- Creating a Climate for Achievement reports  
EC reviewed the report from the Task Force on Creating a Climate for Achievement. It decided to invite Carol Scherrer to discuss the recommendations. Buckner will scan the original document for the Committee.
- Extend deadline for the report from the task force reviewing the tenured/tenure track norms (to December 1)

**Pending/Ongoing issues:**

- Call for sabbatical applications – Due to Canlas, c: Case, Oct 5, 2006
- Review Tenured/tenure-track norms; (Committee appointed: report due October 16).
- Strategic Plan.
- October: review sabbatical applications
- Research funds allocation as part of FDAC funds?
- Senate Library Committee (Weller).
- Track Principles Draft.
- Review of Criteria and Procedures for Appointment, Promotion, Tenure, and Non- Retention, after the norms document is completed.
- Nomination for UIC faculty awards
- Question of library membership in the Graduate college
- Multiyear contracts for clinical faculty
- Exhibits Task force
- Consistency of research leaves (to be addressed with "Climate for Achievement document")
- The Honors 105 course (post Nancy John retirement).

**Meeting dates:** Mon., Oct 9 (De Groote unable to attend): Wed, Nov 8 (De Groote in Chicago): Mon, Dec 11; Wed., Jan 10; Fri., Feb 16; Wed., Mar 14; Wed., Apr 11; Wed., May 9; Wed., Jun 13; Wed., Jul 11; Wed., Aug 8. Unless there is a change, all meeting times are approx., 9:00-11:00 am. Meetings are scheduled for 1-360; they can move if De Groote will be in Chicago.

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