

**University of Missouri-Rolla**  
**Academic Council**  
**Rules, Procedures and Agenda Committee Meeting**  
**McNutt Hall, Room 268**  
**October 31, 2006 13:30 – 14:43**

Present: S.N. Balakrishnan, Frank Blum, Richard DuBroff, Douglas Carroll, Beth Groenke, Lance Haynes, Kurt Kosbar, Bruce McMillin, Don Myers, Keith Nisbett, Eun Soo Park, Robert Schwartz, Adam Sibley, and Jeff Smith

The minutes from the October 17, 2006 meeting were **approved**.

Carroll presented preliminary findings of the Ad hoc Committee of Bylaws Revision, emphasizing the need of the revision to be aligned with the new UMR administrative structure. RP&A asked Carroll to report to the upcoming Academic Council Meeting on November 9, 2006.

Regarding the Bylaws revision, it was **voted** that wherever possible authority currently held in the Dean's office should be moved to departmental level rather than to the Provost level.

There was some discussion on the composition of the Campus-wide P&T Committee and administrators' possible conflict of interests when serving on the committee. The issue was **referred** to Tenure Committee:

Nisbett reported on the review status of the Global Studies Minor program and there was some discussion on the fact that the program does not have a "home department." Haynes suggested that the proposal would require possibly a Baylaws change and will report back to RPA with a note explaining his reasoning.

The Agenda for the Academic Council Meeting on November 9, 2006 was **approved**.

The meeting was adjourned at 14:43.

Respectfully submitted,

Eun Soo Park, Secretary  
Academic Council