

Rules, Procedures and Agenda (RP&A) Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 11, 2011  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Meramec/Gasconade Room, Havener Center

Present: S.N. Balakrishnan, Martin Bohner, Mariesa Crow, Michael Davis, Mojtaba Fallahpour, Steve Grant, Steven Grott, K.M. Isaac, Gearoid MacSithigh, Keith Nisbett, Paul Parris, Daniel Tauritz

**1. Approval of October 11, 2011, RP&A Agenda**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

**2. Approval of Wednesday, September 6, 2011 RP&A Meeting Minutes**

The minutes were approved as distributed.

**3. Institutional Transformation Proposal (Crow)**

Mariesa Crow presented a summary of a proposal being prepared for an NSF ADVANCE Institutional Transformation grant. She requested a letter of support from RP&A and/or Faculty Senate to include with the grant proposal, which is due on Nov. 7, 2011.

A motion was approved to present the following resolution at the next Faculty Senate meeting. If approved by Faculty Senate, it would be included in a letter of support prepared by RP&A.

“The Faculty Senate recognizes the value of increasing the participation and advancement of women faculty in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), and to appropriately institutionalize changes to university policies and practices, and therefore endorses the goals described on the summary page of the 2011 NSF ADVANCE Institutional Transformation grant proposal entitled “Developing Pathways to Leadership of Senior Women Faculty on a STEM-centric Campus.”

**4. Chancellor search (Isaac)**

K.M. Isaac summarized the status of the Chancellor search.

**5. China University Program (Davis)**

Michael Davis summarized recently announced plans for Missouri S&T and UMSL to collaborate on a new university in China with Missouri S&T providing four degrees. There was discussion about the need for the faculty to engage with the administration on general guidelines for offering S&T degrees at other locations, in order to ensure quality and to maintain university name recognition.

A motion was approved to appoint an RP&A sub-committee to recommend an appropriate structure and charge for a Faculty Senate special committee to address this issue. The sub-committee will consist of the secretary of Faculty Senate and the chairs of

Academic Standards, Curricula, Budgetary Affairs, and Personnel committees. The sub-committee recommendation is to be submitted by the January RP&A meeting.

- 6. NTT Faculty and Faculty Senate voting rights (Davis)**  
Tabled.
- 7. Faculty Senate Committee rules (Davis)**  
Michael Davis reported on two issues regarding details of applying the bylaws to fill positions on Faculty Senate standing committees. No action was taken.
- 8. FS meeting agenda for October 20, 2011**  
The agenda was prepared and approved.
- 9. Scheduled RP&A Meeting times and locations for this year.**  
(See at the bottom of this document)
- 10. Adjourn**  
The meeting adjourned at 4:02 pm.

### **Referrals Ongoing**

#### **Ongoing Monitoring (Review as necessary)**

1. VPAA SB 389 Committee (L. Haynes)
2. Provost's web site – posting of T&P rules. (G. Cohen)
3. Archiving FS data (Isaac)

#### **Other Committee Items (Review as necessary)**

1. Academic Integrity (Academic Freedom & Standards) (Waiting for IFC progress)

### **Scheduled RP&A meeting times and locations 2011-2012**

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, September 6, 2011 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, October 11, 2011 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, November 8, 2011 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, December 13, 2011 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, January 10, 2012 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, February 7, 2012 (Silver & Gold)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, February 28, 2012 (Silver & Gold)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, April 10, 2012 (Meramec/Gasconade)

2:00 – 4:00 PM, Tuesday, June 5, 2012 (Silver & Gold)