Library Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes
2011-02-22


Meeting called to order at 10:37 a.m.

Flynn moved to appoint Sinclair secretary pro tempore due to absence of Dawrs.

1. Approval of minutes
Cartwright moved to approve, Christensen seconded

2. Announcements (Paseng)

Full Senate meeting scheduled during Spring Break, reschedule to March 18

A meeting has been scheduled with Grosenheider, Mochida, Nakano and LSEB elected officers for informal discussion regarding more proactive engagement between library administration and library faculty senate.

ACCFSC meetings: items of interest to us: Google contract for email (systemwide). Will no longer support current email and all must move to gmail; some community colleges have decided to move to gmail; UH Manoa Faculty Senate wants to have input in contract and wants more information; David Lassner has not yet responded will attend upcoming meeting with a proposal including exit strategies. Adamson clarified that moving to gmail is an “all-or-nothing” proposition. In addition, if one has been using an email client that saves email to a hard drive, those are not easy to migrate. Flynn added that attachments do not migrate [Secretary’s note: Flynn later emailed faculty senate list-serv to note that according to ITS attachments do migrate, “99.9 percent trouble free.” Excessively large files could cause problems.) Kellett stated that www.hawaii.edu/google has FAQ to clarify many issues regarding gmail, Google Docs and other Google apps. UH is no longer supporting Web Mail, but there is no definitive date for its demise. Kellett recommends making multiple backups of mail stored on hard drives. She also recommends creating a personal gmail account and migrating everything there first, to ensure that attachments are preserved. Cartwright pointed out that there are advantages, such as more storage space per person.

VP Todo will come to ACCFSC meeting March 18 to address questions about budget. Forward questions to Paseng.

3. Reports:

LPC meeting with contract renewal candidates

UHPA: Members are encouraged to visit the website for information related to the Feb. 12 Faculty Forum:
Election announcements for vacant positions on the board of directors will be sent to members’ personal email addresses beginning on Feb. 28, and voting will be by mail-in paper ballots. All Manoa positions are at-large.

4. Ad-hoc committee on travel funding

a. Discussion regarding creation of ad-hoc committee at last Senate meeting; Cartwright & Polansky volunteered, but we need vote.

b. Motion: Create ad-hoc committee on travel funding. Moved: Sinclair, seconded

Cartwright. Discussion: what is the charge? Polansky: there have already been two committees that created recommendations that have not been acted upon.

Christensen: is there a current written travel funding policy? Lebbin: Mochida believes she is following the existing policy, which provides different levels of support for different levels of participation.

Sinclair: Charge of committee could be to review previous committees’ work and recommend pursuing their recommendations or create a new set of recommendations.

Lebbin: Ask Grosenheider to serve on committee?

Chopey: Library administration might not realize that some faculty would be satisfied with partial funding. Flynn: why do we need an ad-hoc committee? Can’t LSEB do it? After Friday’s meeting of officers and library administration, may not need the ad-hoc committee. Sinclair w/d motion pending Friday’s meeting and may make a new motion at next full senate meeting.

5. Memo to Manoa Senate SEC regarding travel funding

a. Jim Cartwright drafted memo

b. Cartwright moved that we adopt this memo or create a different version to forward to Manoa SEC; seconded by Kellett

c. Discussion: Chopey: isn’t this a matter for UHPA? Contract is not serving non-grantfunded faculty well; UHPA should bargain for additional travel support.

Christensen: issue comes up in MFS frequently and there is a MFS Committee on Budget. There is (or was) a committee that allocated travel funding (University Research Council) for junior faculty; membership includes faculty.

Ghosh: we are privileged to have travel funding; if we take it outside, may jeopardize our funding. This is really an internal issue. Library admin should encourage junior faculty to use URC.

Polansky: to get URC funding, must be presenting a paper.
Flynn: no risk in presenting issue to SEC; they can choose not to act.

Ghosh: take out language regarding types of faculty.

d. Question called: defeated 6-7

6. Action on budget (quorum lost)

7. Adjourned 11:41

Submitted by Sinclair.