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Academic Affairs Committee
January 28, 2016
Minutes

Present: Rodney Bransdorfer, George Drake, Janet Finke, Dan Lipori, Jason Underhill, Thomas Tenerelli, Penglin Wang, Clem Ehoff, Lindsey Brown

Absent: David Martin, Danielle Neal, Janet Shields!!!

Guests(s): none

Dan called meeting to order at 3:34 pm

Approval of Minutes – Jason moved to approve and Rodney seconded. Minutes were approved as presented

Chair Updates- Briefly discussed some of the concerns Faculty Senate had on the Scholastic Standards draft.

Old Business

a. Organizational Structure policy/procedure
-most of meeting was spent discussing this charge

The following changes were made to the Western Carolina document:

-Changed title wording; replaced ‘procedures’ with ‘policy’

-Part 4. Also changed ‘process’ to ‘policy’

Part 5.

-title changed word ‘process’ to ‘sequence’

-under ‘order will be’ replace ‘Department’ with ‘All Faculty within a department/program at the rank of senior lecturer or higher’

-also changed ‘Dean’ to ‘Dean(s)’

-also changed ‘Faculty Senate and ADCO at the same time!’ to ‘Faculty Senate and ADCO concurrently’

-final paragraph of part 5 now reads:

-a submission/transmittal form will accompany the proposal. The reviewer(s) at each stage will have access to the full proposal, as well as all solicited comments and feedback from the campus community. The reviewer(s) must make a recommendation, list the number of votes for/against the proposal, and give justification of the final decision on the proposal. Choosing ‘neutral’ is also an option, but the number of votes still must be

included. The person/group that submitted the proposal has the option to withdraw it at any stage (i.e. after a no vote at a level). If the provost rejects the proposal, there can be an appeal made by the originator, which would then go to the president.

-decision was made to call all of the proposal 'policy' and none of it 'procedure'. (No point writing up procedures if the policy is not approved.) Dan will send out revised policy via email to everyone for final comments, then will send forward to FSEC for their enjoyment.

Scholastic Standards Policy

-changed wording in first paragraph of B now reads:

(B) ~~A student's academic standing appears on the quarterly grade report.~~ Student academic standing is determined at the end of each quarter and is based only on the GPA for the credits attempted at CWU. A student's academic standing appears on the student's unofficial online transcript. Questions regarding academic standing should be directed to the office of the dean of student success. The following are standard designations of academic standing:

-changed wording in first paragraph of B.3 now reads:

3. Academic Probation: ~~A student who has been on academic warning will be placed on academic probation if either the quarterly or cumulative GPA for the previous quarter is below 2.0.~~ A student will be placed on academic probation if they are currently on academic warning and the quarterly GPA falls below 2.0. Any student currently on academic probation will continue on academic probation until the student's cumulative GPA is 2.0 or higher.

Dan will send out the revised scholastic standards draft along with the reorganizational structure policy for feedback before next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:02pm