Bylaws & Faculty Code Meeting Minutes—November 6, 2016

Present: Jason Dormady, Mary Radeke, Stephen Robison, Bret Smith

Absent: Walter Szeliga

Guests: None

Meeting was called to order at 3:33 p.m. Minutes of Oct. 16, 2018 were approved as amended.

Chair Updates

The Gen Ed code language will be on the Nov. 14 Faculty Senate agenda for a second reading.

EC Updates

None

Review Code/Bylaws Changes

a. BOT Award Language

Mary discussed some suggested changes from the president. The president would like to see language that is more open and/or flexible.

Questions arose about the one-quarter of release time for lectures or performances to represent the university, as well as how the 12 workload units would be allotted. Recipients of the award should be aware of what will be asked of them. As the language is currently written, it creates a loophole where the award can be rescinded if the person doesn't live up to the stipulations. To align with the CBA, there would be a certain number of workload units the president can assign.

Jason suggested checking with Amy and with the president for some clarifying language. Something specific is needed so that award recipients understand what they are obligated to, and what's expected from them. One possibility would be to add wording about doing a service project for the university.

Mary will email Amy. Stephen will clarify and follow up tomorrow at the EC meeting. The blue language is fine, but we would like to see clarification for the new language in red.

Other?

One committee charge is changing the required three Senate readings to two for code changes and amendments. This charge came from last year. EC would like to have the committee's recommendation by the end of winter quarter. Jason suggested building in language to consider tabling, or considering three readings for more complex code changes. Considering the quarter system it makes sense to have two readings because fits better with our calendar. Bret

indicated that the language doesn't really need to be changed; code changes just need some discussion prior to the reading, in addition to an announcement if the second reading will be considered the third. There might be something in Robert's Rules already. Bret will look into it.

Regarding the code rewrite, we are amending the code or bylaws at every meeting, but the code rewrite is more than that and involves looking for things that are redundant or making sure that bylaws language is in the bylaws, etc. However, there is the question of how reorganization makes the document more effective.

Stephen will send updated document from last year

Meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

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