

BFCC
Minutes
November 25, 2024

Meeting called to order at 3:02pm

Members present: Mary Radeke, Nathan White, Melissa Schiel, Natasha Lindsey
Minutes from 11/18/2024 were approved. Nathan abstained.

Chair report:

Mary reported on some adjustments made to the NTT Faculty Feedback poll.

EC report:

None

Charges:

BFCC 24-25.01

- **(Fall)** Modify Code/Bylaws to reflect the upcoming change from two NTT senators to four NTT senators, determining appropriate representation, term limits, and eligibility requirements.

BFCC discussed some of the changes Mary made to the poll to make it more NTT user friendly. Committee members contributed to the rewording of the questions. Melissa moved to accept the changes to the first three questions on the poll, Natasha second, all were in favor. Mary had to leave meeting early, however, the committee continued to work on the poll

Natasha reported that changes were made to the following questions:

- Q5: we added "contracted" to the explanation and the question.
- Q8: we made the first "Code" into "Faculty Code" and removed "Faculty" from the last sentence of explanation.

Natasha reported that the members voted to accept the fully revised survey. Nathan put forth the motion, Melissa seconded, and we all approved the changes.

Adjourned at.....

Status Report

In progress

Completed

Motion before Senate

BFCC 24-25.01

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NTT Faculty Feedback Poll completed. Waiting for EC to authorize dissemination.

BFCC 24-25.02

- **(Fall)** Add a section to either Code and/or Bylaws that itemizes senator responsibilities (e.g. attendance, disseminating accurate reports and information back to departments) and possible senate actions if these responsibilities are grossly neglected.

Senate Feedback poll completed and disseminated to senators.

BFCC 24-25.03

- **(Fall)** Add language to either Code and/or Bylaws recommending that chairs not serve as senators if other department faculty are willing and able to serve.

BFCC 24-25.4

- **(Winter)** Modify the complaint process outlined in Code IV.G to require EC members to recuse themselves when issues or grievances are brought forward from their own departments.

BFCC 24-25.05

- **(Winter)** Modify Faculty Code, Appendix B to allow self-nominations for the Distinguished Faculty Award.

BFCC 24-25.06

- **(Winter)** Investigate possible ways to reduce the time requirements of the Distinguished Faculty Award application process without compromising the integrity of the awards. Make recommendations as appropriate.
 - **Natashia** – clarify with EC – does “time requirement” refer to eligible time teaching or time with regard to the application timeline, or... ?

BFCC 24-25.07

- **(Spring)** Clarify eligibility for and benefits of emerit status in Faculty Code, Section I.B.2

BFCC 24-25.08

- **(Spring)** Modify Code to remove references to the University Centers having senators (e.g. Code IV.B.1.a.iii, Code IV.E.7.a)
- **Waiting until NTT feedback poll has been returned to submit motion to Senate. Will be combined with BFCC 24-25.01**

BFCC 24-25.09

- **(ongoing)** Recommend revisions to Code and Bylaws to improve clarity and fix typos and errors.

BFCC 24-25.10

- **(Winter)** Update Code and Bylaws to change the Budget and Planning Committee's name to the Budget Transparency Committee. Consult with the Executive Committee to update the committee's purpose and composition as appropriate.