

Faculty Meeting Minutes -- DRAFT

June 6, 2012

SEM II D1105, 1:00-3:00pm

Faculty chair Andrew Reece opened the faculty meeting at 1:20.

Announcements

- Irene Hinkle, Resource Conservation Coordinator at Evergreen, offered to present in programs on issues related to waste reduction, particularly how the College applies conservation measures.
- Shauna Bittle, Staff Photographer, indicated that she is seeking ideas on academic program activities faculty believe should be documented to show a broad range of academic experiences at Evergreen. She also announced that there is now open access to the College's photo archives to all members of the community.
- Rebecca Sunderman acknowledged both the administration and faculty for their work on the new CBA and announced upcoming meetings to review the contract.
- Laurie Meeker announced that films produced by advanced students will be shown later in the week.
- Ruth Hayes announced that students in Animal, Images and Texts have produced animal books that will be on display in the Longhouse and on the program's blog.

Review/Approval of Faculty Meeting Minutes -- May 23, 2012 Meeting Minutes were approved with minor revision, including: Cheryl King made a motion to table the third item that was up for vote; a correction to the Emeritus nominators; and the addition of a faculty member who was retiring yet not standing for Faculty Emeritus.

Agenda Committee, Faculty Chair and Faculty Advisory Panel on the College Budget Election Results

Andrew announced that Frances Rains, Suzanne Simons, Richard Weiss and Steven Hendricks are incoming Agenda Committee members and that Drew Buchman is the 12-13 Faculty Chair. In addition, Peter Dorman is a 12-14 member of the Faculty Advisory Panel on the College Budget. He also acknowledged continuing members Abir Birwas, Rob Esposito, Leslie Flemmer, and Paul McCreary, as well as Julie Slone (notetaker). Outgoing Agenda Committee members include Nancy Anderson, Dylan Fischer and David McAvity. Linda Hohman, who will retire on June 15, was also acknowledged for her service to the faculty. Finally, Andrew Reece was acknowledged for his role as 11-12 Faculty Chair.

Final Discussion and Vote on the Proposed Faculty Handbook Change – At the May 23rd faculty meeting, a motion to table a proposal to replace section 2.300 Academic Deans with updated language, which was put forth primarily to reflect current practice, was made ([2012 Handbook Proposal](#)). Deliberation on the proposed change continued at today's meeting, beginning with the role of faculty in evaluating the deans. A resolution to amend the last paragraph of section 2.300 Academic Deans was put forth to read, ultimately, as follows:

The deans are evaluated annually by the Provost and the deans team on the basis of their job description and information solicited from faculty and community members.

Discussion ensued and a vote was taken that ended the debate. The amendment was then voted on and was defeated. It was proposed that the vote be limited to the deans' term, with the rest of the language remaining as it currently reads in the Handbook. The question was called to cut off debate and vote on proposal #3 as written. The question to end debate was defeated. It was proposed and seconded that an amendment that adds an additional sentence to section 2.300 Academic Deans that reads,

(Pending Agenda Committee deliberation and proposed language that preserves the spirit of the current Faculty Handbook section 2.300, section 5.)

The amendment above was then voted on and defeated. It was then proposed and seconded that the amendment be tabled, which passed. It was moved that proposal #3, section 2.300, be brought to a vote, which was seconded and voted in the affirmative. Proposal #3 was then voted on and approved by 25 in favor, 11 opposed and 8 abstentions. Several faculty present asked that the Agenda Committee consider further proposals for motions to amend the policy around two issues: the contents of the deans' portfolios, and extending eligibility for deans to contingent faculty.