Faculty Senate Meeting

Texas A & M San Antonio

February 2, 2012 / Brooks Room 168

Richard called the meeting to order at noon. Motion made seconded to accept the minutes.

Enrollment Caps for Online Courses

A policy be recommended for a deadline after which the enrollment cap cannot be changed.

Tracy Hurley addressed the issue.

Flexibility of a + - system fo grades

Ed Westerman

Ed spoke to the issue noting that UT Austin had a similar system.

Megan wanted to know if other A & M system schools had such a program.

Stefanie suggested we put together a group from the Senate to study this.

Richard said he was concerned that the Senate would suggest a policy without a survey of what a majority of the faculty thought.

Megan mentioned that Senate meetings were open. Faculty should be here.

Megan motioned the formation of a committee to explore the issue.

Richard suggested making Ed part of the committee. Motion that Ed Westerman become chair of investigative committee passed by acclimation. Megan suggested that Ed represent A & S, Kevin will represent Education, and Pablo Califore from Business.

Discussion of the role of faculty advising of students

Christina Suthammanot

Christina asked to be released from the agenda item. Richard recommended we scrap this item.

Discussion of system of faculty awards and recognition

Sean Kearney

Sean was not present and Richard suggested this be tabled until the next meeting. Alternately someone else could be present.

Demonstration o Faculty Senate Intranet Site

Updates and New Business

Megan said that the post tenure review process was being re edited and would be ready to show it to the Faculty Senate for approval.

The Faculty Handbook is in a similar stage. Richard mentioned that other handbooks contained what appeared to be unrealistic policies.

Motion to adjourn from Pat Holmes, so moved and adjourned.