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Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes #20

October 30, 2014

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 AM on Thursday, October 30, 2014 in Library Conference Room B, Chairperson Nassersharif presiding. Senators Cerbo, Rollo Koster, Sullivan, and Welters were present. Senator Rarick was absent.

2. Minutes of FSEC Committee Meeting #19, Oct. 23, 2014 were approved as amended.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS
   a. The FSEC established a meeting time for the Spring 2015 semester.
   b. Senator Sullivan reported on a concern regarding the Joint Classroom Steering Committee (JCSC) and the absence due to illness of the subcommittee leader.
   c. Ms. Neff provided the FSEC with an update regarding the unapproved application and scheduling of multiple, differing sections of ITR 300 for the 2015 Winter J-term.

4. ONGOING BUSINESS
   a. The Committee finalized selections for President Dooley’s administration evaluation committee and discussed potential members of Dean Ray Wright’s evaluation committee.
   b. In anticipation of the upcoming workshop with the President and the Provost on the subject of shared governance scheduled for later in the day, the committee discussed improving the management and execution of joint institutional responsibilities. The Academic Senate of the University of California system, initially cited by the President, was referenced as a model significantly different than that at URI. Merits of the UC model were noted. Models of Senate Executive service that provide greater release time, different term limits, more authority and responsibility, and greater flexibility were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Neff