

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Faculty Council Meeting
February 02, 2012

Members Present: Mary Cay Sengstock, Marsha Richmond, Mark Ferguson, Geoff Nathan, Larry Lombard, Anne Duggan, Claudio Verani, Boris Baltes, Ed Golenberg, Fred Pearson, Ed Van Hees, Tom Killion, Gavin Lawes

Attending: Donald Haase, Christine Chow, Caroline Brzuchowski, Paul Clemens, Joe Rankin, Robert Thomas

Absent With Notice: Markus Friedrich, John Klein, Charles Parrish, Pramod Khosla, Eric Lambert

The meeting was called to order at 9:30.

The minutes of the December 01, 2011 meeting were approved.

Joe Rankin spoke of the CLAS Technology Committee, which currently has eight volunteer members. Saying that it is difficult to get all eight members together for the yearly meeting, Rankin suggested the committee be constituted as the Budget Advisory Committee is—with one elected member from each of the four divisions and an elected at-large member. There was general agreement that this was a good idea going forward.

A motion to ask Joe Rankin and Mark Ferguson to write an amendment to the bylaws to form a standing Technology Committee, constituted as other elected college committees, passed unanimously.

Mark Ferguson provided an overview of the college elections and discussed the need for nominations. Some names were provided at the meeting. Several council members said that they would supply names in the days and weeks ahead, after considering the issue and consulting with colleagues about their willingness to run.

There was a general discussion, prompted by Larry Lombard, about two issues discussed back in December: the distribution of graduate fellowships (Rumbles), which was a topic at the December Faculty Assembly; and the P&T process, discussed with Provost Brown at the December Faculty Council meeting.

Fred Pearson asked Mark Ferguson to ask for an update from the provost on the faculty evaluation/P&T issue. Ferguson said he'd contact the chair of the Graduate Council to see what the new policy for the distribution of fellowships is, at which point the council can craft a response.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20.