CFS Governance Council Meeting
April 9, 2009
10:00 – 11:30 AM
Westside A

In attendance: René Anderson, Shirley Baer, Sharon Denninger, Norín Dollard, Sandra Dwinell, Heather George, Michael Greeson, Don Policella, Janis Prince Inniss

Absent: Kathleen Ferreira, Robert Friedman, Ruby Joseph, Ray Miltenberger

Guest: Tracy-Ann Gilbert-Smith

Call to order: Sharon, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05.

Minutes Approval: The March minutes were distributed for review. The minutes were approved as written.

Agenda approval: No guest speaker this month. No other changes to agenda.

Committee reports:

1. Faculty Council:
   Elections: Norín advised that the new Council Chair is Holly Hills. Norín is now the Vice Chair. Tom Massey and Mary Armstrong have rotated off the Council and three new members were elected, two of which are CFS Faculty.

   Associate Dean of Research: The first of the three candidates visited last week. Two more will visit next week. The Dean is hopeful that two additional candidates will visit shortly thereafter.

2. CFS Leadership Team meeting: This meeting has been rescheduled and will take place in May or June.

3. Institute Council: Sharon will have a report at our next meeting.

4. Compact Planning Group: Bob was not present to report. In his absence, Norin gave an update. Dean Gonzales has asked us to take another look at the document. Mario completed a SWOT analysis and has volunteered to present it to the Council at a future meeting. The Compact Plans are due to the Provost by May 1st.

Unfinished Business:

1. AFD’s: Norín provided an update. Feedback on the document was solicited before it was sent to the CFS Leadership team and then forwarded to the Dean’s office for comment by Cindy Stark.

   Thanks to all who have worked on this for many months: Ruby, Heather, Ray, Kathleen, Norin, and Bob.
2. Council Elections: Michael reported that emails were sent to the department regarding nominations which are due on the 16th. There was discussion about the timeline for rotation of the exiting members and when new members would attend, elect officers, etc.

3. Governance Council document revisions: Sharon provided an updated document and asked the Council to review and advise of suggested changes by May 1st. We will review the document at the next meeting to determine if we need to ratify the document. This depends on whether there are substantial changes.

4. Break room: No update. Don advised that they are working to put a list of questions together for a survey to be distributed at the next meeting.

Reminder / Announcements:
The next meeting will be Thursday, May 14th, at 10:00 in MHC 1503.
TREaD is to provide note-taker and snacks.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM