

Minutes for NTT Issues Committee

March 4, 2014, Hodges Library 220E

Meeting opened 3:45 pm

1. Minutes from 2/4/14 unanimously approved
2. NTT communications
 - Suzy Prentiss had contacted Iryna Loboda in OIT; she can work with Mark Collins to get a web site for the NTTI Committee. OIT is pushing people to use SharePoint, but after discussion and input from Donna Braquet on Wordpress and SharePoint, we decided that SharePoint might not be the way. Jeanie Lim asked whether there is any central place for NTTF to find resources or build a community and suggested creating a site that offers community would be helpful. Sally Harris suggested that because NTTF are faculty and not really a separate group from TT faculty, it would be good to connect a NTTF site to the Faculty Senate. Crystal McAlvin indicated that, even with a page connected to the Senate's site, the page would still be a place for NTTF to connect with resources and feel a sort of community. Suzy Prentiss confirmed that the site could be connected to the A to Z index so it would be easy for NTTF to find. Mark Collins will work with OIT starting in April to get a page created, and Sally Harris will contact David Golden and Stefanie Ohnesorg about linking it to the Senate's site.
 - Mark Collins contacted NTTF in the College of Business to encourage them to run for Senate. He will forward the email to Sally Harris so she can adapt it and send it to all NTTF.
3. Faculty and Family Leave Policy
 - Donna Braquet, chair of the Benefits and Professional Development Committee introduced the changes to the policy her committee suggested. They involve including domestic partners and eliminating the limits on the number of times faculty can apply for leave because of the arrival of a child. After discussion about what areas would be best applied to all faculty and what could be applied to only those faculty on tenure track or with multi-year contracts as well as discussion about appropriate wording, the committee suggested changes to the wording, which were incorporated to the reasoning for the changes and the changes themselves.
 - Mark Collins moved to vote on the Faculty and Family Leave Policy Proposal from our committee. Jeanie Lim seconded it. The proposal passed unanimously. It will now go to the Benefits and Professional Development Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm