

Committee of Committees Meeting
December 14, 2006
Faculty-Staff Club
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

The Faculty Executive Committee is charged with convening the Committee of Committees (CoC), which comprises faculty members of the Faculty Executive Committee (FEC), the Institutional Policy and Planning Committee (IPPC), the Committee on Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure (CAPT), the Committee on Academic(i)-omto discuss ongoing issues (problems or successes) in committee operations.

The first CoC meeting of AY 2006/2007 took place on Thursday, December 14, from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Members from all of the above named committees were present, with the exception of CC, which sent no representatives. The Director of the First Year Experience (FYE) was also present at the invitation of FEC. FEC extended a belated invitation to the Athletic Council (AC), which was represented at CoC last year, but no members of that committee were able to be present.

What follow are minutes of the meeting. A condensed version of a committee's report is given first, followed by a synopsis of reactions to and discussion of that report, where applicable. The order of reports is the order in which they were actually given. The purpose of these minutes is to make faculty and administration aware of concerns within the faculty governance structure, and of observations on college operations by members of standing committees.

Furthermore FEC has shared these minutes with appropriate members of the Administration as a courtesy. The Administration has responded in a separate document, also available from the FEC website.

1. IPPC.

Report IPPC has an ambitious agenda this year, with little progress to report thus far. The committee has adopted an operating code, in which the finer points of subcommittee structures and functions are defined, as well as procedures for annual reports. IPPC has discussed the issues surrounding the InterBoard, but the matter is currently in the hands of SGA. IPPC has also given greater hearing and priority to issues raised by the Campus Environment Committee. Budgetary discussions have gotten off to a late start (perhaps because of the dining hall project), and the Budget and Finance subcommittee has met only twice so far. Some faculty representatives of IPPC would say that their time thus far has been wasted, while others would not go that far, since much of the year's substantial work lies ahead.

Discussion

- x Subcommittees of IPPC are standing subcommittees, some of them filled by willingneses.
- x The Vicechair of IPPC has input in establiing the agenda for IPPC meetings.
- x FPPC was abolished and some of its responsibilities shifted to the Budget and Finance subcommittee of IPPC. Have we lost some transparency in the budgetary process with this shift?
- x Last year we had a good process with egard to compensation, many hands contributing to a good result. This year the pressures of the dining hall project might have caused a lateas with the budget; it is stillimportantto begin the process in October. Faculty members of IPPC do not know what has caused these delays. frequent meetingsare problematic in theory, but not

- x FEC was consulted on this issue last year, and ultimately recommended that the DOF be on CEPP. The current VPAA apparently wants more involvement in the process. Is there a need to review the administrative structure of the College? The DOF, for instance, does not have the authority of the Dean of Student Affairs, who sits on President's cabinet.
- x Is CEPP involved in the review of Special Programs? Not at the p

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