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a. College of The Arts Appeal to Senate of Tenure Denial – Sang-Hie Lee

b. Draft Governance Document USF System

In an attempt to have a dialogue on the USF system, Faculty Senate President Branch asked President Genshaft to respond to a list of issues and concerns generated from the draft Governance Document. These included:

1) Shared governance requires faculty membership on USF System Councils;

2) Clarification of several included and missing terms will be helpful
   a. The term “Chief Academic Officer” for the system is missing;
   b. The phrase “academic planning liaison to the BOG” is used in 7a;
   c. The phrase “USF System Vice President and Provost” is used but there is not a single direct report.
   d. The term “Senior Advisor to the President” is used for Dr. Holbrook. Is that a new designation?

3) The organization charts of both the Tampa Campus and the USF System FAIL to include International Programs at all.

4) Concerning the Tampa campus, SACS guidelines seem to require that all colleges/academic programs should report directly to the Provost (which would include the colleges within USF Health, although the VP for USF Health could still have a direct report to the president for the non-academic matters of USF Health). In addition, the following offices/activities should also report directly to the Provost: student affairs; the office of research (innovation can still report directly to the president); IT; and perhaps a few others.

Sergeant-at-arms Shapiro added the perspective that the organizational chart currently has about 16 to 18 direct reports to the USF System President, and that kind of structure is unheard of in academic settings. Six or so direct reports would be more usual.

President Genshaft responded that this process needs to be fashioned for each individual institution. As to how the Senate will be affected when the other institutions are accredited remains to be seen. She added that USF will be looking at other system models, and as these documents are worked on, the Faculty Senate will stay informed.

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