

COPH Faculty Assembly

Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

2016-11-28

1. Approval of minutes from July 15, 2016 meeting
 - a. All yeas, but quorum not present
2. Comments by Dean Petersen
 - a. See slides
3. Reports from standing committees
 - a. Education (Janice Zgibor)
 - i. Changes from transition to new core
 1. Have necessitated changes to pre-requisites, dual degree requirements, etc.
 2. Facing time pressure to submit changes to graduate Office of Graduate Studies by January
 - ii. CPH exam
 1. Current tracks
 - a. Current students
 - i. Required to take exam to graduate
 - b. Incoming fall students
 - i. Required to take exam at COPH expense
 - ii. If do not pass exam, required to take again at student's expense
 - iii. If again do not pass exam, must meet college-specified alternative (e.g., oral exam)
 2. Faculty comments
 - a. Need clarifying wording of new requirements & alternatives if student does not pass exam
 - i. Education Committee to discuss at next meeting
 - b. Concern that preparation for the exam provided during the capstone course is too late in program to be of use to students
 - i. Exam preparation is now provided during the students' first year
 - c. Concern that some students are taking the exam too late & don't have time to re-take if they do not pass
 - i. Recommended schedule:
 1. 1st attempt: October of 2nd year
 2. 2nd attempt: Following January or February
 - b. Faculty Affairs (Martha Coulter)
 - i. November & December meetings deal with personnel issues
 - c. Research (Ellen Daley)
 - i. Committee working on system where faculty submit early-stage grant proposal documents for review & feedback

- ii. Report of the Library Advisory Committee being asked to choose journal collections to be removed as part of budgetary cuts
 - 1. Committee apparently chose Springer journals to be removed
 - 2. Faculty comments
 - a. Concerns raised that removing journals harms faculty research & contradicts administration goal of becoming a Tier 1 research institution
 - b. Possible responses discussed
 - i. Have item included in Faculty Senate and relevant university committee agendas
 - ii. Prepare letter to administration stating faculty concerns
 - 1. Committee to work on preparing letter & potentially circulating via email to faculty for review & vote
- 4. Copenhagener representatives in university-wide committees and councils
 - a. Two vacant Copenhagener seats in Faculty Senate & numerous Copenhagener vacancies in subcommittees
 - b. Michael Teng (USF Faculty Senate President) to speak to assembly at future meeting
- 5. Other business / reports
 - a. None raised
- 6. Set date for next meeting
 - a. Next assembly meeting will take place on Dec. 13 at 9:00am
- 7. Adjourn