Faculty Affairs Committee Agenda
3 December 2009
341E BH // 8:30 a.m.

Committee members present: Tim Frey, Mary Devin, Jeong-Hee Kim, Sonia Esquivel, Cristina Fanning, Sam Diederich

1.) Call to order at 8:32 a.m.
2.) Approval of minutes
   - Minutes approved by a vote of 5-0.
3.) Old Business
   A. Update and ideas on Safety seminar for 2010 – Sonia
      - Sonia has contacted the local women’s shelter about basic self-defense methods and the possibility of a seminar for the Education faculty and students. Sonia will follow up with contact to set a date for seminar.
   B. Updates on Status of Crisis/Safety plan priorities and Dean Holen’s requests (Tim)
      - Tim met with Dean Holen concerning safety plan. Dean Holen is willing to provide money for first aid kits, etc. Need to compose an e-mail with faculty’s safety concerns.
      - Safety kits should be marked, faculty informed of the safety kits’ whereabouts.
      - A kit will be placed in every office on every floor. There will be 6 total kits. Also emergency lighting for stairwells should be seriously considered and pursued.
   C. Subcommittee reports for 09-10 awards (Tim)
      2010 Excellence in Advising Award
      2010 Graduate Teaching Award
      - 23 separate nominations have been turned in for the Advising Award. Only one nomination has been turned in for the Graduate Teaching Award.
      - Nominees will be notified before break. Subcommittees will meet in early February to discuss nominees.
4.) New Business
   A. Revisit Awards for next year (Service, Research) – Tim
      - Faculty is asked to take criteria for eligibility back to their respective departments to discuss the specifics with co-workers. Faculty should attempt to find consensus on grant acquisition and how that relates to research and service. This will be the major focus of meetings in February and March since awards will be all but decided and the safety seminar should be completed.
- Dr. Frey visited with Dean Holen about the Undergraduate Teaching Award. Commerce Bank does have interest in the criteria for the award, but the faculty could compose a letter to Commerce that addresses concerns regarding qualifications.

- The committee explored the possibility of obtaining a sponsor for the Graduate Teaching Award. More to come later.

5.) Other Business

6.) Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 4, 2009, 8:30 a.m., BH341E