Faculty Senate

Report of the Part-time Faculty Committee

The Part Time Faculty Committee met on Monday, October 16, in room 254 in Ekstrom Library.

The committee welcomed its newest member. Rob K. Detmering to the committee.

Faculty Senate Chair, Professor Enid Trucios-Haynes, was in attendance and presented the committee with our annual charge.

The first item of business was to elect a new chair. After some discussion of responsibilities and future meeting times for the committee, Roy Fuller was elected the chair.

Roy Fuller has been attending the Executive Committee meetings and brought a report regarding information and actions taken by the XC.

A recommendation was made to add the Part Time Faculty Committee's support to the XC letter of concern over the presidential search process. The committee agreed that this was wise and Roy informed the Faculty Senate leadership of our desire to add our names to that letter.

There was some discussion regarding the orientation that HR provides for new part-time faculty members. Concern was noted that this orientation is sometimes not offered due to low interest. Discussion focused on how to increase participation, primarily with the thought that more effort needs to be made to individual units, as they are in the best position to know and encourage new part time faculty to attend these orientations.

Joe Gutmann brought the committee up to speed with regard to the planned elimination of the Paralegal Studies Program, of which he is a faculty member. While this decision seems to be final, Joe expressed numerous concerns regarding the wisdom of this decision, which he intends to share with the Faculty Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Fuller

Chair