

Faculty Senate
Report of the Part-time Faculty Committee for January 11, 2016

The Part-time Faculty Committee met at 3:00 PM on January 11, 2016, in room 254 at Ekstrom Library.

The PTF committee welcomed Arnold Hook, Assistant Director of Institutional Research. Arnold distributed a part-time faculty load analysis which looked at the number of credit hours taught by each part-time faculty member in years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. The data was helpful but did not weigh the income generated per student, so that a 3-credit hour for a class with 20 students generated the same data as a 3-hour credit courses with 100 students; however, the 100-student course would generate many more tuition dollars for the university.

For the PTF meeting in February, Arnold will calculate the actual income generated per class taught by PTF. PTF teach roughly 44% of the general education classes that are offered. The committee would like to document the actual "value" of part-time faculty through the tuition income they generate for the university.

Action items...

- Four PTF terms out of six are expiring on the PTF committee, due to incorrect management of terms in the past when previous PTF left the university. Traditionally only two seats expire at a time, so two members have agreed to run this spring, and two have agreed to serve an extra appointed year and run in 2017.
- A Qualtrix survey was approved to ask three simple questions regarding PTF access to university services. The questions are: Have you lost access to email services during the past 12 months (If so, explain); Have you lost Blackboard services during the past 12 months (if so, explain,); and have you lost access to any other university services during the past 12 months (if so, explain). The results of the survey will be presented at the February meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair,
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