Faculty Senate

Report of the Part-time Faculty Committee February 2020

The Part Time Faculty Committee met on Monday, January 12 in room 254 in Ekstrom Library.

Chair's Report: Chairman Roy Fuller updated the committee with items discussed at the Executive Committee including the following: Benefits Design Workgroup feedback; campus construction updates. Committee was also reminded that David Owen has stepped down as vice-chair of the Faculty Senate because he is now Interim Dean of A&S. The Senate continues to monitor the bookstore. The bookstore continues to keep an eye on what sorts of materials professors post on Blackboard.

Roy also updated with committee regarding the draft of a survey the committee plans to deploy to part time faculty. The survey had been forwarded to Katie Partin, Director of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, for more feedback and suggestions. Once that is received the survey will be sent out via the part time listserv.

Roy also related that he had met with N. Polzer, chair of the A&S Faculty Salary Committee, whose committee is hoping to raise awareness regarding the already existing procedure for part time faculty promotion.

The issue of recognizing/highlighting the contributions (research, conference presentations) of part time faculty was addressed and it was agreed to research how this was done in the past so that we might put in place a means to gather this data and share with the broader UofL community.

New business including discussion of the following: A new funding model is in development and will affect funding for departments. This may also impact PTF.

A suggestion was made to do another Recognition Banquet / Luncheon to recognize the contributions of PTF to the University. R. Fuller will talk with T. Eells. A question was raised about the suspension of the PTF Institute offered by the Delphi Center. The reason might be that information about the Institute's programs was not reaching the new PTF.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Fuller, chair