Minutes, Arts & Sciences Finance and Service Committee Meeting, Tuesday, December 1, 2015

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FINANCE AND SERVICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES:
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Attending:
Faculty: Ashley Kistler, Chair; Bobby Fokidis, Secretary; Laurel Hapgood; Zhaochang Peng; Todd French; Daniel Myers; Udeth Lugo; Michele Boulanger; CPS representative; Bill Short; Staff; Students; Ansh Jain

Minutes from Nov 3, 2015, meeting passed with minor changes.

Announcements:
None

Old Business:

Divest Rollins: Circulated a press release about Investment committee meeting with divestment board. Divestment is happy with decision to reallocate $400,000 to a target fund.

Sabbatical Policy: French stated sabbatical policies at other school William and Mary and Mount Allison (every three year, one semester), aspirant institutions Elon (full year competitive) and Villanova (no option for full year). Peng has not had opportunity to talk with Deans about policy suggestion. Habgood: Massot is a wealth of resources for external funding. Short: Fyrst grant also exists to help faculty to afford full-year sabbaticals. Issue tabled for next meeting.

Merit/Market Pay: Kistler suggested not best time to tackle issue with governance restructuring. Habgood: Does Lugo have update? Lugo: nothing has been accomplished, but indicates Provost and Deans are interested in discussing compensation but are waiting for President’s approval. Lugo states that a policy study be conducted. Table discussion.

New Business:

Academic Space Concerns: Boulanger describes the academic space concerns originate with bookstore, CPS feels they are lacking space and inquired using bookstore. Specifically for 8 office space positions and 6 classes, perhaps by moving career services to another. CPS perception is that priority given to events planning and not academic departments. Short: discussed with Pat? Kistler: in Sept remembers discussion with that in mind. Habgood: Survey
should be sent to divisional chairs, to assess complete needs of space on campus as a resolution.
Kistler: reserved the CFAM patio in Aug for Dia de los Muertos, but were told to move it to
accommodate party by CFAM. The party was shortened by 2 hours by CFAM and they hired
movers to move stuff out. Donor parties took priority over academic events. Habgood: classroom
space in Bush auditorium, couldn’t be used. Draft a resolution in spring about academic space
gaining priority. Kistler: need to send survey to faculty. Subcommittee formed to make survey:
Kistler, Fokidis, Boulanger. Lugo: there was a policy already in place for academic events to
have priority, classroom availability should include evaluation of schedules for classes. Hapgood:
can’t make colleagues teach when they don’t want to, chairs do not have power, rFLA makes it
work. Short: Academic usage first, but it is planned in advance. Kistler: rFLA has forced a
redistribution. Habgood: Teaching at 8am is necessary, or courses do not get offered. Myers:
working with Jay Yellen to develop a new time scheduling module. Kistler: develop a new
matrix. Habgood: Isn’t rFLA matrix for 3 years? Kistler: this may fix scheduling.

**Holiday Dining Hours:** Concerns about dining services were closed on Tuesday, for the holiday
even though it is a class day. Jain: We need to eat on Tuesday, many students do not go back for
holidays. Short: Boathouse was open but it was used in the afternoon. Ansh: not open during the
holidays? Kistler: RAs also had to stay here, no food available. Fokidis: sends bad message to
students raised by Paul Stephenson. Kistler: should we send message

**Other New Business?** None called.

Meeting adjourned 1:00 pm.

Prepared and submitted,

H. Bobby Fokidis, Ph.D.,
Secretary