

## **Minutes of the School of Liberal Arts Faculty Assembly**

**Friday, April 26, 2002**

**Present:** Aponte, Ardemagni, Barger, Barrows, Blomquist, Brant, Burke, Carlin, Craig, Cutler, T. Davis, De Tienne, Dick, Eller, Ford, Freeman, Goering, Harrington, Jackson, Johnson, Kloesel, Kryder-Reid, Langsam, McCormick, McDonald, Marvin, Meslin, Mullen, Mullins, Niklas, Nnaemeka, Oukada, Powell, Robertson, Rooney, Saatkamp, Sachs, Sandwina, Sauer, Scarpino, Schneider, Souch, Spechler, R. Sutton, S. Sutton, Thorington Springer, Trotter, Turner, Upton, Ward, White, Wilkins, A. Williams, Worley, Yonogi

### **Guests:**

1. Call to order.  
**Christian Kloesel**, President of the Faculty Assembly, called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.
2. Acceptance of minutes.  
The minutes of the 22 March meeting were approved unanimously, as amended by the President.
3. Dean's Remarks.  
Dean **Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr.** recounted the remarkably good year we have had. We have had a large number of new degrees and certification programs approved; our publications and grants were up again; retention in our classes continues to improve; our fundraising has been extraordinarily successful, now approaching 9 million dollars, many times our original goal; and our recruitment of new faculty has been superb. The recommended salaries for next year are going through the higher levels on this campus, and should soon be going to Bloomington. The average increment for the School should be right around 3 percent, excluding promotion and tenure and so forth. It will be 3.6 percent with those other increments included. Salary letters informing faculty of the recommended salary for next year should go out next week.

The one area for concern is enrollment. At the present time, our numbers of new transfer students are down about 17 percent compared to last year, and we have a 6 percent fall in new, beginning students. We hope that these numbers are due to a timing issue and that, as we get closer to the Fall, the enrollments will pick up to normal levels.

Dean **Saatkamp** noted that, at the Chancellor's Honors Convocation later this evening, **Miriam Langsam** would be receiving the Bynum Mentoring Award. The Dean commented on Professor Langsam's many years of service to the School and its students, concluding that the award is richly deserved.

4. **President's Remarks.**  
President **Kloesel** reminded those assembled that there would be a reception following the meeting, in honor of those who have won awards and those who are retiring. The President called on **Paul Carlin**, Secretary, to announce the results of our recent elections. **Carlin** announced that our new President will be **John McCormick**; our new at-large member of the Agenda Council will be **David Ford**; the new members of the Nominating Committee will be **Carol Gardner, Karen Johnson, and Kim White-Mills**; and the new members of the promotion and Tenure Committee will be **Subir Chakrabarti, Scott Seregny, and Richard Turner**. All will serve a two-year term, ending in the spring of 2004. The results of the election were approved unanimously.
5. **Miriam Langsam** asked that the faculty approve the list of graduating seniors. The Faculty approved the list unanimously.
6. **Ken Barger** announced the recipients of this year's Trustee Teacher Awards:

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David Ford (Sociology)  
Elizabeth Goering (Communication Studies)  
Linda Haas (Sociology)  
Robert Harris (Economics)  
Ursula Niklas (Philosophy)  
Stuart Schrader (Communication Studies)  
Susan Sutton (Anthropology)

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Julie Freeman (English)  
Ronald Sandwina (Communication Studies)

7. **Herman Saatkamp** announced that the Outstanding Resident Faculty Award goes to **Susan Sutton**. **Christian Kloesel** announced that the Outstanding Associate Faculty Award goes to **Jolene Ketzenberger**. **Sutton** and **Ketzenberger** were praised and acclaimed by their colleagues.
8. **Bob White** announced that **Andre DeTienne, Anne Royalty, and Thom Upton** were granted tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.  
  
**John McCormick** and **Obioma Nnaemeka** were promoted to the rank of **Professor**. All were acclaimed by their colleagues.
9. **Christian Kloesel** announced that **Ken Cutler, Robert Dick, and Steve Sachs** were retiring after long service to IUPUI. All three were warmly applauded by their colleagues.
10. **Committee Business.**

President **Kloesel** noted that the Academic Affairs, Curriculum, Enhancement Review and Library Committees had all submitted their end-of-the-year reports and that the balance would be made available as soon as possible.

*a. Bylaws Committee.* On behalf of the Bylaws Committee, Harriet Wilkins moved adoption of a series of amendments to clarify membership of the faculty and their voting rights. The first amendment recognized that lecturers and senior lecturers are members of the Faculty, as well as any other person recommended by the Agenda Council and ratified by a majority vote of those present and voting at a regular meeting of the Faculty Assembly. The second amendment asserts that on issues concerning tenure and research, only tenured or tenure-track faculty may vote. The final amendment asserts that the Promotion and Tenure Committee be elected by tenured and tenure-track faculty only. The motion was passed with one vote in opposition.

*b. Common Core Curriculum Committee.* On behalf of the Committee, **Susanmarie Harrington** demonstrated the website for the common core. It includes such items as: information about the contents of the core curriculum, detailed information for faculty and students, which integrator courses will be offered, and much more. The website can be accessed by the URL: <http://common.iupui.edu>.

*c. Curriculum Committee.* **Catherine Souch** moved, on behalf of the Committee that the proposed Undergraduate Certificate Program in Geographic Information Science be approved by the Faculty. **Elizabeth Kryder-Reid** asked how the undergraduate certificate would be distinguished from a graduate certificate. After a satisfactory answer by **Karen Johnson**, the Program was approved unanimously.

*d. Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee and e. Resources and Planning Committee.* **Jonathan Eller** reported that the proposal to offer a Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies had been approved by a campus committee and would be considered by the relevant system-wide committee at a meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>. **Eller** also, on behalf of the Graduate Curriculum Subcommittee, moved the approval of an M.A. degree in the Department of Philosophy. The proposal is for 30 credits, with 6 credits in the core, 18 credits in either a Bioethics or an American Thought concentration, and 6 thesis credits. **Phil Scarpino**, on behalf of the Resources and Planning Committee, reported that they support the proposal, noting that they had considered issues such as hidden costs in the graduate assistantships and the relation between graduate and undergraduate programming in the Philosophy Department. **Rick Ward** asked how the Bioethics concentration fits in with the Life Sciences initiative announced recently. It was reported that the establishment of the Indiana University Bioethics Center would support the M.A. effort with five people directly involved at no cost to the program. **Herb Brant** asked how many graduate students they anticipated enrolling. **Eller** replied that the program expected, after a few years, to

have at least 20 FTE students. The proposed program was approved unanimously.

*f. Enhancement Review Committee.* **Richard Turner** reported that the Committee had met to deal with a suggestion from the Dean of Faculties. That matter has been sent back to the Agenda Council. The Committee has developed a draft of procedures when faculty enhancement is needed. The Committee has sent the draft to the Agenda Council; the Council will be asked to circulate it.

*g. Faculty Affairs Committee.* **Martin Spechler** indicated that the Committee would be focusing added attention next year on two issues, faculty overwork and the appointment of lecturers and senior lecturers. On the first issue, the Committee is concerned that there are too many activities that faculty are expected to perform that are peripheral to the core roles of teaching and research. On the second issue, the Committee is in favor of these appointments if they are full-time and replace part-time faculty. There is some concern that the Trustees may substitute the appointment of lecturers for the appointment of new assistant professors. This would have a negative impact on the faculty and students of SLA. Dean **Saatkamp** replied that if the Trustees hold to the original plan, it will only be a substitution of lecturers for part-time faculty, 17 last year, 12 this year, and 12 next year, and none thereafter.

*h. Teaching and Advisory Committee.* **Ken Barger** noted that we have been doing assessment of the Principles of Undergraduate Learning in the capstone courses, but we have a very low return rate for the spring semester. We need to have more assessments turned in by students. The Center on Teaching and learning will be offering brownbag seminars this summer. It's a good way to update your knowledge of learning technology.

11. *Report from Teaching Scholars Program.* **Richard Turner** noted that they are a group of scholars who consider teaching effectiveness. **Enrica Ardemagni** and **Stuart Schrader** have a project on the scholarship of teaching and learning abroad.
12. *Report from IUPUI Faculty Council and University Faculty Council.* Susanmarie Harrington reported that the IUPUI Faculty Council, at its last meeting, honored the college Bowl Team and the Math Team, elected Mary Fisher President and Bart Ng Vice-President. In the May meeting, they will consider the report of the Task Force on Scheduling. Rick Ward reported that the University Faculty council was informed of the search process to replace Chancellor Bepko. They also learned about the increase in the student technology fees, a cross-campus effort to encourage spousal hires, and an upcoming effort to weed the Master Course Inventory as a first step to getting true inter-campus transferability. Martin Spechler reported on their considerations of the continuing fiscal impact of the 18-20 retirement plan.

**13. Old Business. Christian Kloesel** remarked that he had had a remarkable two years as President of the Faculty Assembly. He got to know many of the faculty better than he had before and accomplished a few things. He expressed his thanks to all, especially the past and current Secretaries of the Assembly, and members of the Agenda Council, and chairs of all committees, old and new. President **Kloesel** turned over the gavel to the newly elected Faculty President, **John McCormick**, who adjourned the meeting with unanimous consent at 3:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Paul S. Carlin*

Secretary of the Faculty Assembly