

Chaired by Jose Diaz, Faculty Advisory Council
Minutes submitted by Rocki Strader, Faculty Secretary
Faculty Meeting, June 12, 2012

Director's report (Carol Diedrichs)

Carol announced that the AP&T reception for newly tenured and promoted OSUL faculty will be held on July 23, at 3:00 pm.

The Information Studies minor will not be pursued. The revenue would not be as great as initially thought. OSUL faculty can still develop individual courses within Arts & Sciences. Online courses have been most successful recently.

The experiment with THO 150 A/B found that usage is heaviest on nights and weekends. The biggest issue has been with cleanliness: food and litter on the floor, holes in carpet, coffee rings on tables. Options that were discussed: open weekends only (closed during week); rent it out; try leaving out cleaning supplies; have student employees clean tables every morning.

Carol reported on the suggestions that were received for re-naming SEL.

Listservs and retirees: There is an effort under way to clean up the email lists. The question came up as to how to handle emeritus faculty. Options that were discussed: leave them on lists that don't do confidential work; retain only on liball and libfac.

Implementation of the Libraries' Open Access Resolution (Melanie Schlosser)

Melanie reminded the faculty that the resolution goes in to effect on July 1. The implementation working group will host a brown bag on July 12 at noon for anyone who has questions about it. The working group is also putting together a wiki. For help with rights, the contact person is Sandra Enimil. For help with the Knowledge Bank, email libkbhelp@lists.osu.edu.

The Open Access resolution does not address author fees for Open Access journals.

Report from AP&T, information about recent revision of OSU Faculty Rule 3335-6-02(A) (Anne Fields) ["Criteria for appointment, reappointment, and promotion and tenure of tenure-track faculty," section (A)]

Anne Fields reported on the University Senate's definition of teaching: " 'Teaching' is broadly defined to include didactic classroom, non-classroom and distance instruction, extension and continuing education, advising, and supervising or mentoring students or postdoctoral scholars."

In OSUL, librarianship is equivalent to teaching; do we need a new approach to defining librarianship? Anne solicited discussion on possible changes to POA or AP&T documentation on criteria for promotion and tenure; she presented a list of "areas of expertise." Maureen Donovan noted that outside OSUL, much of what we define as librarianship and teaching, is seen more as service. Perhaps OSUL needs to reconsider university's definition of service. AP&T will further discuss if and how definitions may need to be rewritten to align better with the university's definitions, and will bring suggestions back to the faculty.