

College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Faculty Senates
March 22nd, 2017
Submitted by Hyunju Chung

Present: Wilfred Major (president/Interdisciplinary Studies), Dorothy McCaughey (ENGL), Kendall Gibson (FLL), Steve Namikas (Geo&Anth), Carolyn Ware (at-large), William Saas (CMST & proxy for Bryan McCann), Hyunju Chung (COMD), Alan Baumeister (PSYC), Michael Bibler (at-large, proxy for Angelette Gourdine, ENG), Andrea Castillo (FLL), Emily Batinski (FLL), Joe Clare (POLI), David Chicoine (Geo&Anth), Maria Rethelyi (PHIL&REL), Jeff Leichmann (FREN)

1. Open and introductions
2. Approval of minutes for Feb 15, 2017.
 - Approved
3. Old business
 - a. **Inquiry to Dean about HSS policies on funding for graduate students**
 - Dean Haynie was at our meeting
 - Comment from the Dean:
 - Our college is willing to be flexible with the policy on stipends and are willing to make important changes
 - Overall goal(s) of the college is to invest more on graduate level education and see the growth in the enrollment. Thus, the college intends to increase stipend for our graduate students, but there is limited funding available.
 - Answers to our four questions:
 - Is a student entering with a BA allowed to spend two years obtaining an MA prior to beginning four years of funding en route to a PhD in the same program?
 - Yes
 - Could a program offer less funded time to one student in order to lengthen the offer to another student?
 - Very unlikely. If the department chair requests with a very specific reason for a specific student, it can be considered. But it is very difficult and unlikely to be accepted
 - What is the overall flexibility for departments in administering this policy?
 - Overall goal of the college is to make our departments and students more competitive. Requests and resources will be investigated.
4. New business
 - a. **Revising PS-36 and PS-36 NT**
 - Main Issue: mismatch in the use of languages in the current HSS college policy and the proposed revised draft of PS-36, esp. in a section on joint appointment procedures:
 - Current HSS college policy: calls for reviews from **both units** sharing in the faculty's appointment
 - "**both** units will conduct **a separate** written annual evaluation of the faculty member according to the rules specified in their unit...."
 - University policy: requires **a single** unit review from a primary department
 - PS36T draft (XXII. B): "In each annual review process for a faculty

member, there will be **only one** reviewing officer, the department chair”

- Draft Revised PS36T, Section 4. (7. Joint Appointment, b. review processes): “The unit head of the primary department will be **the only** reviewing officer...”

- Our mission (refer to email sent out by W. Major email on 03/24/2017):
 - *Consider whether we have recommendations and/or concerns about the ongoing revisions to PS-36 and PS-36 NT. We can forward such recommendations and concerns to the committee in charge of the revisions.*
 - *Consider whether we wish to revise HSS policy to make it congruent with the forthcoming PS-36 and PS-36 NT documents. In this case, we need to move rather quickly. We would need to formulate and approve changes in time for the April 27 meeting of HSS faculty, so that the full faculty can vote on our recommendation.*
 - Read documents sent out by W. Major and use the email forum to continue our deliberations
 - Prepare a proposal for the full faculty meeting (April 27) (the next and final meeting of the HSS faculty senate is April 26).
 - Goal: make HSS and university policy compatible

b. **Marketing, Recruitment, and Space:**

- New campaign for promoting LSU: focus will be reflecting on what makes LSU different and unique from other institutions by emphasizing the quality of our school. New campaign will begin July 1st
- Recruitment: some changes will be made for orientations (two days → one day), 3 plus 3 (3 years of undergraduate + 3 year law school) for attracting law students.
- Space: the mission is to make more spaces available (e.g., Middleton library will be renovated and will be moved to a different location. Second library will be built)

5. Adjourn: **next meeting on April 26th**