

MEETING OF FACULTY — 6nd MAY 2003

Faculty present

B. Antar, B. Bomar, F. Collins, H. Crater, L. Davis, G. Garrison, M. Hailey, R. Joseph, R. Kimberlin, J. Lewis, T. Moulden, C. Parigger, R. Schulz, A. Sheth, M. Smith, J. Steinhoff, A. Vakili.

Enactments

Dr. Antar opened the meeting by reporting on his conversation with M. Combs, President of the Faculty Senate. M. Combs said that anything sent to him in Knoxville would become part of the formal Senate Record. In addition, he could help us with contacts to members of the administration as appropriate.

Concerning the report on the previous meeting (2nd May, 2003) it was requested that 'COO' be spelled out as 'Chief Operating Officer'.

A motion was made:

M1 *Be it resolved that the resolutions passed at the last meeting be forwarded to the Faculty Senate President and Executive Committee for transmittal to the System Administration*

The motion was voted upon with **13 for, 3 abstentions and 1 against**.

The discussion then turned to the subject of whom to contact in Knoxville. S. Leonard appeared to be the obvious contact but before this could be done, it was essential to have a concrete plan of action. In particular a detailed plan for the future and adequate facts concerning circumstances. Of great concern was the current evaluation process for faculty and the standards expected in that evaluation. It was generally felt that these were unrealistic in their current form and biased towards money. An action item for the Faculty Senate was then introduced:

M2 *Request that the Faculty Senate help to clarify the status of the annual evaluation process for UTSI faculty*

B. Antar was to communicate this information to M. Combs in Knoxville. A subcommittee consisting of B. Antar, B. Bomar and J. Lewis was to collect data from other Universities concerning expectation for faculty performance and for faculty evaluations. This committee was to report back to the faculty at a meeting next Monday at 1:00pm.

recorded by T. Moulden